

# RAILROAD OFFICIALS INDICTED

## ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE BARON PRES. MELLEN, PRES. CHAMBERLIN "GO HOME AND STOP DRINKING" Bomb Hurlled Into Procession in Which Viceroy of India Was Marching—Attendant Killed

DELHI, India, Dec. 22.—Baron Hardinge, viceroy of India, was wounded and an attendant of his killed by a bomb hurled at the viceroy from a house as he was entering the new capital in state today. The bomb struck the howdah or basket of the viceroy's elephant, killing the attendant instantly. The extent of the viceroy's wounds was not known. He was hurriedly removed to a hospital.

The bombthrower's attempt to kill Baron Hardinge came within a hair's breadth of being successful. The viceroy was making his entry in state into Delhi as the last of the ceremonies in connection with the transfer of the capital from Calcutta to Delhi. The transfer was made in October last, but Lord Hardinge was not to take formal possession of his new quarters until today. A large gathering of troops, officials and Punjab chiefs was present to welcome the party. Its splendid elephant procession had just left the railroad station, passing through Chandni Chowk when the bomb was thrown. It was hurled by a man standing on a housetop and it struck the howdah or basket of the viceroy's elephant in which he and Lady Hardinge were riding. The attendant holding a large parasol over the vice regal pair, was instantly killed.

Lady Hardinge was wounded in the shoulder, but how seriously could not be determined in the confusion which followed the bomb throwing. He was hurriedly removed to a hospital. Lady Hardinge was much shaken by the experience.

Hardinge on arrival at the hospital was at once examined by the surgeons. They found that the wound in his shoulder is only a slight one.

Lady Hardinge suffered from shock and it was found necessary to apply soothing remedies. Her parasol bearer being instantly killed another attendant was seriously wounded by fragments of the bomb. The ceremonies were interrupted for only a short period while the viceroy and the viceroyess were being conveyed to the hospital and viceregal residence respectively.

Sir Guy Fieetwood Wilson, financial member of the council of the governor-general of India, took the viceroy's place from the procession, which then proceeded on its way through the new imperial city to the bazaar camp, where a great number of rajahs and other Indian chieftains were gathered. Sir Guy then took up his position in front of the dais and read a despatch from Baron Hardinge saying that he was only slightly injured by the attack, thereby being able to continue his journey to Delhi.

The reading of the message was received with prolonged cheering.

The attempt on Baron Hardinge's life aroused feelings of intense indignation, both among the natives and the British officials present, as he is one of the most popular viceroys who have ever ruled in India.

For a long period there had been a fall in the native agitation in India which at various times led to assassinations of high officials. The attack on Baron Hardinge, therefore, came with greater unexpectedness. Only a short time ago Baron Hardinge wrote to the India office in London, saying that the country was very quiet and that the prospects for his official entry into Delhi were favorable.

The bomb was thrown as the great procession, in which were a large number of gaily caparisoned elephants bearing native princes and high British officials, was passing through the Chandni Chowk, which is a long, narrow, typical Oriental street. The houses are mostly one story buildings, a line of streets, the whole length of the Chandni Chowk, but owing to the importance of today's procession the service had been suspended.

The viceroy's elephant was an enormous animal. The driver sat between his ears, guiding him in the usual native way by tapping him on the forehead.

head with a steel spike. Behind the driver was the great howdah, a box-like construction fixed on the elephant's saddle. In it were seated the viceroy and viceroyess and at their backs stood another native attendant holding over their heads a great parasol, which indicates the royal dignity.

Owing to the low build of the houses in the Chandni Chowk, the would-be assassin stood on one of the roofs when he threw the bomb and was only a few feet from the viceroy and viceroyess.

The bomb burst with terrific force. The parasol bearer was blown from the top of the elephant to the ground and instantly killed, while the driver sitting in front of the howdah was wounded in no fewer than eight places. The escape of Baron and Lady Hardinge was really a miraculous one. The missile fell only a foot or two from its target.

The great procession immediately came to a standstill and a crowd of officials rushed up and found the viceroy bleeding and pale, while the viceroyess was terribly shaken. They were assisted to alight from the howdah and placed in motor cars, one of which conveyed the viceroy to the hospital and another took the viceroyess to the official residence.

Due to the British tradition that nothing can be allowed to interfere with the British policy in India, the celebration of the inauguration of the new imperial capital was proceeded with almost immediately.

The police in the meantime had surrounded the house from which the bomb was thrown and had made several arrests. All the outlets from the city were placed under guard.

The celebration marked the beginning of the new year, the king had made during the great coronation durbar of the transference of the viceroy to the new capital, Delhi. Since that announcement was made the viceroy has been visiting various parts of the country and has been able to pay only a few flying visits to Delhi, to inspect the preparations for the advent of the government into the new imperial city.

Today he was making his state entry and had been received at the railroad station by many members of the government, by officials and by a large gathering of native ruling chiefs, most of whom were from the province of Punjab. After the official greetings at the station he had started together with Lady Hardinge on his way to the old fort, whose history is imperishable in India, owing to the prominent part it has had in the affairs of the country in bygone years.

It was near this fort that the Durbar was held.

The thrower of the bomb has not yet been caught. A reward of 10,000 rupees (approximately \$3300) has been offered for his arrest.

The worst of the viceroy's wounds is a deep one four inches in length, exposing the shoulder blade. His other injuries are said to be superficial.

**MR. FRED N. BURNHAM**  
Has Returned After Business Trip to Canada

Mr. Fred N. Burnham, who was reported to have left town, has returned to his home, 42 Hastings St., having been, as he states, on a business trip to Canada. He states also that he was not with any of the parties who left town about the same time he did, and that he knows nothing of any of them.

This confirms what The Sun said on the authority of his friends to the effect that he was absent on business and would return in due time. Mr. Burnham will probably resume business in this city.

He was in a railroad accident near White River Junction and was detained in consequence of the delay.

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## Held by Federal Grand Jury on Charge of Violating the Sherman Anti-Trust-Law

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Charles S. Mellen, president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad; E. J. Chamberlin, president of the Grand Trunk railroad of Canada, and Alfred Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk board of directors, were indicted by the federal grand jury here this afternoon charged with violating the Sherman anti-trust law in connection with the alleged money agreement between the two roads. The indictment alleges that the three railroad men were engaged in August, 1911, and have since engaged in an unlawful combination to prevent the construction and completion of certain extensions of the Grand Trunk railroad into New England.

It is also charged that they conspired to prevent the operation of steamships between Providence and New York and to prevent transportation of persons and property in interstate and foreign commerce over these lines of railroads and steamships.

Seven overt acts are alleged by the government. It is charged that the defendants met in New York Aug. 1, 1912, and discussed memorandum therefor exchanged between Messrs. Chamberlin and Mellen which provided that the Grand Trunk should sell the New Haven system all its interests in the Central Vermont and its subsidiaries, which would include all the proposed extensions into New England. The second overt act alleged embraces a charge that Chamberlin wrote to Vice President J. E. Dalrymple of the Grand Trunk, saying that he and Smithers had had a satisfactory interview with Mellen and it was agreed that Dalrymple and Benjamin L. Chaney, of the New Haven, should meet quietly in Mellen's office and discuss new divisions of New England business.

The third act alleges that the defendants held further meetings in New York city on September 20, of this year, the fourth that they held another meeting in New York on October 1; the fifth that at this last mentioned meeting Mellen initiated and gave to the defendants a memorandum of the agreement providing among other things that the Grand Trunk is to retain the Central Vermont and continue its existing business as at present. The sixth overt act alleged is that Mellen caused the withdrawal of a petition previously filed by his directors with the public service commission of New Hampshire asking authority to extend one of the New Haven lines paralleling and competing with a portion of the Central Vermont railroad. The seventh overt act set forth is that Oct. 9, 1912, Chamberlin caused the work of constructing a line from Palmer, Mass., to Providence, R. I., to be abandoned.

The indictment avers that "there is now and has long been a large volume of interstate and foreign commerce in the transportation of persons and property between Providence, Paw-

cket, Woonsocket, Boston and other cities and towns on the proposed lines of railroads and the cities of Montreal, Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Minneapolis and other western cities and that the greater portion of this commerce was and is carried by the New Haven system, but that upon the completion and operation of the Grand Trunk extensions that system, the Grand Trunk, proposed and intended to and, but for the commission of the crime set forth would have actively competed with the New Haven system for such commerce."

None of the defendants was represented in court when the indictment was handed up but counsel for the government said that all three would surrender themselves within a few days notwithstanding that Messrs. Smithers and Chamberlain are not residents of the United States. Mr. Smithers' headquarters are in London; Mr. Chamberlin has offices and his residence in Montreal.

The railroad situation in New England was brought to the attention of the federal department of justice first by the state officers of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who declared that the abandonment of certain extension projects then indicated was due to a secret traffic and mileage agreement between the two roads.

On Nov. 15 representatives of the two states called on President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham, pointed out that the individual states were unable to cope with the situation and asked the government to take action.

The state officials asserted that the alleged agreement between the New Haven and Grand Trunk roads meant the abandonment of projects for the extension of the Grand Trunk line through territory now monopolized by the New Haven.

In its investigation during the past month the grand jury examined officials of both roads and their subsidiaries and also experts representing New England states and cities most interested.

**CAR HIT MILK WAGON**  
Occupants Were Thrown Into Street

Joseph Suprey of 26 Queen street and Joseph Richards of Spring court narrowly escaped being seriously injured this noon when their milk team that they were driving was struck by an electric car in Central street.

The men were driving up the street in a milk wagon owned by H. J. Linouds, and with the intention of crossing Central street to Williams street, the driver directed his horse in the rear of a Boston car going towards the postoffice and directly in front of a Chelmsford st. car which was returning to Merrimack square. One of the men seeing the oncoming car, eluded the horse with the whip but the electric was already upon the party and it struck the rear of the milk wagon, damaging the wheel and the covered top. Both men were thrown to the street, but fortunately neither suffered any injury beyond a severe shaking up. The fender and front vestibule of the car were damaged to a slight extent and it was due to the quick thought and action of Motorman Lyons that a more serious accident was averted.

Several cases of empty bottles which the cart contained were thrown to the road and broken glass was scattered about. The collision frightened the horse but one of the men ran to the animal's head and prevented it from running away. The wagon was removed from the car track and another was sent for.

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**DOWS**  
Cor. Merrimack and Central Sts.

Charles Foucher, whom the police believe to be a clever artist in work, was arrested Saturday afternoon by Ident. Maher and Easton. Foucher, on a warrant charging him with the larceny of \$15.50 cents in money and a five cent cigar from Charles Gaudette. When brought to the police station he denied that he had used worthless checks, but later, it is alleged, he confessed to the superintendent of police that he had operated by several cities.

A search of the man's clothing resulted in the finding of a small book containing the names of business concerns in different cities, which, in the opinion of the police, was a list of people which Foucher intended to victimize.

When arraigned in police court this morning the man entered a plea of not guilty and was ready for trial, but inasmuch as at least two more complaints will be preferred against the man, Deputy Downey asked for a continuance until tomorrow morning. Foucher was held under \$300 bonds.

**Count Was Lenient**

"Go home and stop drinking," said Judge Enright to John Drury, when arraigned on a complaint charging him with drunkenness. "You have a wife and four children and if you are sent away it would make a nice Christmas for you and your family." Drury promised to take the pledge and do the right thing by his family and with that understanding his case was continued.

**Pawned Goods to Secure Liquor**

William O'Connor, it is alleged, when under the influence of liquor, takes articles out of his house and pawnshop. O'Connor was in court this morning on a complaint charging him with drunkenness, and after pleading guilty was given a little sound advice, after which he was ordered to pay a fine of \$2.

**Other Offenders**

Guilhemme Govea was "drunk some," according to his answer, and inasmuch as he was drunk on Sunday it cost him \$5. Alfred Raynor and John Gracioso also got intoxicated on Sunday and just for that they were fined \$5 each.

George Marcotte, Michael J. Turner, Annie Fontaine, Patrick J. O'Brien, Luke Pelletier, Samuel Burns and John McDonough were each ordered to pay a fine of \$5, but McDonough was given one month's time to come over with the money.

Three first offenders were fined \$2 each and several first offenders were released before the opening of court.

## J. FRANK HICKEY SENTENCED Lowell Man Convicted of Murder Given Not Less Than 20 Years in the State Prison

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—J. Frank Hickey, convicted of murder in the second degree for the killing of Joseph Joseph, the seven-year-old Lackawanna boy, Oct. 12, 1911, was sentenced this morning to confinement in state's prison at Auburn for an indeterminate sentence, the minimum of which was 20 years and the maximum life. Hickey, answering the formal questions put to him, said he was 47 years old, was born in Lowell, Mass., and had once, when 18 years old, been convicted of petty larceny.

He received word of his indictment by a federal grand jury in New York city.

After he had been informed of its character he authorized the following:

"Mr. Mellen does not feel that it would be proper for him to discuss a matter which is yet to be tried."

**PARADE OF TRANSGRESSORS**

The police patrol wagon, with several passengers en route for the Lowell jail after the usual morning police court services, suffered a slight accident this morning which necessitated the transferring of the ride of the transgressors to the local penal institution into a parade. At the corner of Appleton and South streets, the driver attempted to turn about to receive another man into his fold when the horse turned too quickly and one of the shafts snapped. Officer Cavely got out and formed the prisoners into a parade, and with himself as the guard of honor they completed the journey to the jail on foot.

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## THREE TENEMENTS SET ABLAZE

Firebug in Boston—8 Injured in Fall of Ladder—Daring Rescues by Firemen

Boston, Dec. 22.—Three fires, all of which were caused by a single person, were reported in the city of Boston, Mass., today. The first fire was reported at 10 o'clock, when a fire alarm was sounded at 10 o'clock. The fire was located at 10 o'clock. The fire was located at 10 o'clock. The fire was located at 10 o'clock.

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long to make the 15-foot jump to the pavement below.

As soon as the men of Ladder 1, from Portland street, arrived a 35-foot ladder was thrown up and the men ascended. The work of rescue was carried on with dispatch. Porter passing as many as he could from the lower fire escape.

The firemen rescued from the second floor the family of Pasquale De Napoli, wife and six children. From the third floor they rescued Raphael Ferreri and his family of 10 children and also Joseph Repucci and his wife and family of six children.

Sergeant Donovan and Patrolman Wilson of the Hanover street station got up into the fire escape and assisted the firemen in the work of rescue.

While the work of rescue was being carried on, and practically completed, eight persons, four of them firemen, were injured by the breaking of the ladder. The ladder snapped about 15 feet from the top, throwing every one on it in a heap to the ground. When they fell they dropped onto a heap of old scrap iron.

The firemen of Engine Company 4, living at 31 Mt. Vernon street, Charlestown, including Charles J. Fleming of Ladder 1, hoseman Cornelius J. Sullivan of Engine Company 8, hoseman Felice Joseph Mulla of Engine 10, and hoseman Antonio Piro, Solario Zanglia and his wife, Francis, and Pife Arizolo.

It appears that everything was all right until Mrs. Zanglia, who is a very heavy woman, weighing more than 200 pounds, started to descend the ladder. Her weight proved too much for the already over-burdened ladder and it broke off short, precipitating all to the ground.

Traces of the Firebug

Sergeant Donovan, Patrolman Wilson and others immediately went to the work of rescuing them and Deputy Chief Grady, who was on Hanover street, rushed around and took charge. The injured persons were pulled out and carried off. The injured were hurried to the relief hospital in autos.

This accident aroused excitement among the spectators, as it was feared that the ladder was old and that the firemen were careless. The fire was caused by a firebug who was seen running along the side of the building and it was in this alley that the firemen followed the discovery of the fire. There are the escapes on each floor, with ladders connecting, but there is no drop ladder from the second floor.

The blaze in the cellar set a good start and made a lot of dense smoke that drove every one out of the house. A few living on the second floor and by the stairway, but the majority of those upstairs rushed to the fire escapes.

These escapes are not more than 10 feet in length on any landing and in a few seconds were crowded and many threatened to jump, fearing they were going to be burned to death.

Rescued by Firemen

Hoseman William Porter of Engine 1, on Bulfinch street, in some manner that displayed remarkable agility climbed up a water spout and reached the fire escape, where he helped the people not to jump, as there was a real danger and that ladders would quickly be up. It was all he could do to restrain many who appeared anxious to make the 15-foot jump to the pavement below.

## POWER OF RAILROADS

Pointed Out by Conant in Letter to President

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Railroad companies and steamship combinations control the regular steamship lines of the United States and have destroyed competition on many of the water highways of commerce, declares Luther Conant, Jr., commissioner of corporations, in a report to President Taft today.

The regulations of the report, based upon an extensive investigation, force upon the federal government, says the commissioner, the consideration of further regulation of joint rail and water traffic.

In practically all the coast waters of the country, it is declared, railroad or steamship consolidations dominate water transportation. Their control of both through passenger and package freight trade is especially striking, says Commissioner Conant, on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, and on the Great Lakes. Water lines along the eastern seaboard, he adds, have become to a large extent auxiliaries or subsidiaries of railroads. While competition exists in greater measure on the Pacific coast, the commissioner points out important instances of railroad control there.

It is a striking fact, says Commissioner Conant, that between a number of the more important ports on the Atlantic and Gulf coast there is only a single regular service.

The New Haven system, it is charged, "has pursued a determined policy of suppressing any effective competition on Long Island Sound and several at least of its recent acquisitions must be charged as due to this policy." Elimination of competition also was an important factor, said Commissioner Conant, in the New Haven's purchase of a majority interest in the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation company.

The extensive water traffic between New York City and New England is almost completely controlled, the report adds, by the New Haven barges of \$10,000 gross tonnage en-

gaged exclusively in domestic trade and continuing.

The tonnage of the New Haven system is the largest, aggregating a little over 200,000 gross tons. Next in importance is the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific, with a grand total excluding its steamship lines, of over 150,000 gross tons. The Pennsylvania Railroad Co.'s water lines carry 65,000 gross tons in steamers and 55,000 tons in barges. The New York Central, the largest of the New York Central system, carries over 50,000 gross tons. The Central of Georgia railway, over 40,000 gross tons.

The total capitalization of water lines controlled by these railroads (this not covering holding companies and several very important unincorporated services) aggregates \$53,555,555 in stock and \$21,855,857 in bonded debt. Of the stock \$19,223,890 and of the bonds \$19,211,457 are owned by 18 railroads or their subsidiaries. In most instances railroads own practically all the stock of the separately incorporated water lines which they control.

Of the traffic not dominated by railroads along the eastern seaboard, the great bulk, adds the report, is controlled by two important steamship consolidations, the Atlantic Gulf and West Indies steamship line and the Eastern Steamship corporation. With few exceptions the constituent companies of these consolidations were formerly subsidiaries of the Consolidated steamship lines, organized by Charles W. Morse, and which collapsed in 1907.

While there appears to be no inter-ownership of stock between these two steamship consolidations, Mr. Conant adds, they have several directors in common, indicating a considerable community of interest.

On the Great Lakes all the important through passenger and package freight lines, it is declared, are owned by railroads. In the local package freight trade there are a large number of independent water carriers. Several of the principal lake fleets handling ore, coal and lumber, it is said, are under the control of important industrial concerns, the largest being the Pittsburgh Steamship company, controlled by the United States Steel corporation.

On the Pacific coast, the commissioner found independent steamship lines forming an important factor in the coastwise trade, but said several water lines were under railroad control, including the interest of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific in the Pacific Mail and the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company. The Southern Pacific also controls a fleet of oil vessels, belonging to the Associated Oil Co., he adds.

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On the Pacific coast, the commissioner found independent steamship lines forming an important factor in the coastwise trade, but said several water lines were under railroad control, including the interest of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific in the Pacific Mail and the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company. The Southern Pacific also controls a fleet of oil vessels, belonging to the Associated Oil Co., he adds.

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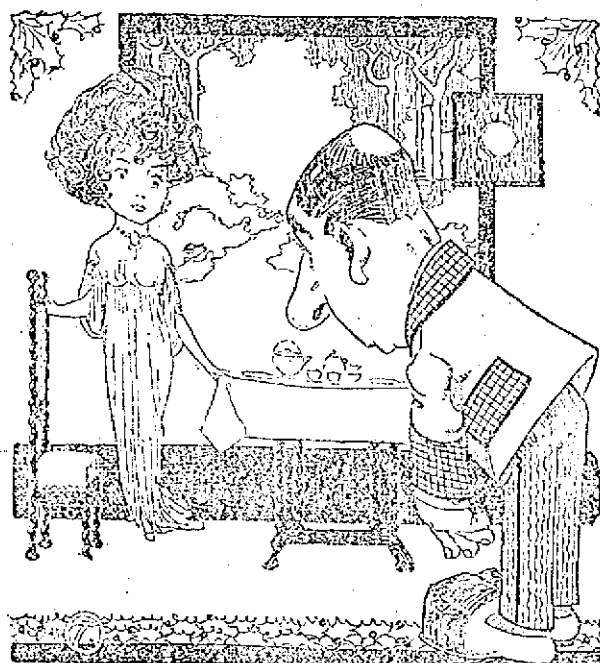
The tonnage of the New Haven system is the largest, aggregating a little over 200,000 gross tons. Next in importance is the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific, with a grand total excluding its steamship lines, of over 150,000 gross tons. The Pennsylvania Railroad Co.'s water lines carry 65,000 gross tons in steamers and 55,000 tons in barges. The New York Central, the largest of the New York Central system, carries over 50,000 gross tons. The Central of Georgia railway, over 40,000 gross tons.

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## Miss Mary Bartelme is to Serve as Judge of Chicago Juvenile Court



MISS MARY BARTELMÉ

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Miss Mary M. Bartelme, for 18 years public guardian of Cook county, Ill., is Chicago's first woman judge. Miss Bartelme was the choice of the judges of the circuit court, which considered several other women lawyers for the position. She will assist Judge Finchney in the juvenile court and will direct most of her attention to girls who come under the court's jurisdiction. In her position as public guardian thousands of young women judge. Miss Bartelme was the choice of the judges of the circuit court, which considered several other women lawyers for the position. She will assist Judge Finchney in the juvenile court and will direct most of her attention to girls who come under the court's jurisdiction.

## TAX ON CEMETERIES

### Owners Up in Arms Over Assessors' Action

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Owners of private cemeteries in the city and also the owners of Mt. Auburn cemetery, in Cambridge, and Woodlawn, in Everett, are up in arms over the action

of the assessors of the city of Boston in levying taxes on the personal property owned by these private corporations. The assessments will be announced in the annual December warrant to be issued by the assessors during this week. It has been learned that, acting on a decision made by the supreme court of the state on the day before Thanksgiving, the assessors have been enabled to add to the total valuation more than \$3,500,000 in personal property owned by private cemeteries. The taxes on this property will add about \$50,000 to the city's treasury. The ruling on which the assessors base their action was handed down at Worcester on Nov. 27. The town of

Worcester appealed from a decision of the county commissioners of Worcester county that the Pine Grove cemetery, a privately owned corporation in the town, be exempted from all taxation. The town contended that the exemption did not extend to personal property, and the supreme court in a long decision upheld this contention. When that decision was made the Boston assessors had almost completed their work for the December warrant. This is made each year supplementary to the August warrant, and contains the assessments on personal property of which the assessors had no knowledge when the first warrant was issued. Despite the late date at which the fact came to light, the assessors set to work, and voted for the personal property owned by the cemetery.

Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn were probably the hardest hit, for though both are outside the city limits, they are Boston corporations and the local assessors of each is located in this city. It is said that about \$1,500,000 of personal property from each of these cemeteries was added to the warrant. This is composed of the most part of money held for perpetual care of graves, permanent funds of the corporation and stocks and bonds held by the trustees for investment to increase the cemetery's revenue.

The personal property of Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn represented most of the additional taxable property found by the assessors, for the aggregate personal property of the other private cemeteries amounted to only half a million dollars. The Protestant cemeteries and the many Jewish cemeteries throughout the city made up the most of this, for the Catholic cemeteries, while privately owned, were not greatly affected. Except for a small amount of money held by each cemetery separately for perpetual care funds, all of the property of the Catholic cemeteries is either in the name of a church or the cardinal and is thus exempt from taxation.

Besides Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn, the only large Protestant cemeteries in Boston that are privately owned are Forest Hills and Cedar Grove. The larger Catholic cemeteries are Calvary, Mt. Benedict and St. Joseph's. The Jewish cemeteries are scattered all over the city.

## LOCAL BOY SCOUTS

### Held an Outing at Prospect Hill Today

The Boy Scouts of Lowell and the Scouts of Andover had an outing today on Prospect Hill, which is on the Gen. Adelbert Ames estate in Tewksbury, and it was very kindly placed at their disposal for the day by Gen. Ames. The Lowell boys left the square at 9 o'clock this morning in a motor car, and drove to the end of the line and from there tramped to Prospect Hill. The scouts were accompanied by Rev. J. T. Carlow, Rev. F. A. MacDonald and Mr. T. R. Williams. The Andover scouts met the Lowell division at the top of Prospect Hill. The local boys were very agreeably surprised to find Rev. E. Victor Higelow with the Andover boys. Rev. Mr. Bigelow took an active part in all of the scout activities while here in the city. A fine dinner was prepared for the boys and several small and other things included in the boy scout code were carried through. At about 3 o'clock they started for home and arrived in the square at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

## PRESENTED LOVING CUP

### The Clerks of Chalifoux's Honor Manager

Christmas shoppers hurrying up Central street Saturday night were startled by the sound of a mighty cheer from the store of the J. L. Chalifoux Co., and the people on the street paused in wonder. Had they peeped through the window they would have witnessed an informal yet highly enthusiastic reception taking place in the store on the main floor, where the clerks of the establishment presented their manager, Mr. William Chalifoux, a beautiful loving cup, suitably inscribed, as a token of the high esteem in which they held him.

During the day word was passed around among the clerks to assemble at the end of the day's work at a certain place on the main floor and shortly after ten o'clock all were there including even Mr. Chalifoux himself, though totally unaware of what was in store for him. Mr. Louis Cole, without further ceremony stepped forward and after a short address in which he referred to the many pleasant associations which the clerks had with their manager of many years, presented him the loving cup. Needless to say, the popular manager of Chalifoux's store was "taken off his feet" with surprise and it was several minutes before he could speak. Then as he struggled to give expression to his thoughts, and thanked the clerks for their gift, the latter cheered loudly.

Mr. Chalifoux said that he would prize the cup not for its intrinsic value, but motives of friendship and love that actuated its giving.

Lowell Social & Athletic Club  
Joe Thomas of Lowell vs. Bill McKinnon of Boston, 12 rounds. Gardiner Brook vs. Young Clark, 8 rounds. Ed Hamilton vs. Johnny Murphy, 6 rounds. Young Brennan, from the Flats vs. Billy Daly of the Acre.  
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## ONE FATALLY INJURED

### Another Dying as Result of Serious Accident

CLINTON, Dec. 23.—Gordon Saunders, aged 29, son of Mrs. John R. Saunders of 19 Cottage street, Leominster, died at Clinton hospital yesterday from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Main street Saturday night.

Ernest E. Edgerly, who is suffering from burns received soon after the accident, has a slight chance for life, in the opinion of Dr. George L. Tobey. From the first the hospital staff had no hopes for Saunders' recovery. The shock to his system, due to the breaking of both legs above the knees, a broken nose and fracture of the skull, was such that he could not rally. Young Saunders was employed by the Union Comb Manufacturing company of Leominster, in which company Edgerly is a large owner of stock. Saunders' parents were notified of his condition late Saturday night and arrived at the hospital before his death. The body was taken to his home in Leominster.

Edgerly was conscious yesterday. That he is even alive is a cause for wonder among the doctors. Following the accident, he crawled to another auto and lighted a match, which ignited his aniline-soaked fur coat, and he was terribly burned before the flames were subdued. Edgerly was visited at the hospital by his mother. It will probably be a week or more before the outcome of his injuries can be definitely determined.

## MEN'S PRESENTS

Cigars are always acceptable and appropriate as gifts for men. Good, standard, everyday cigars in boxes of 12, 25 or more, at from 35c up. Preferred Stock, Pippin, Keystone, Cream, Blackstone, 7-28-4, Phila Rosa, San Carlos, M Favorita and Ralsan are a few of the kinds we handle. Howard, the druggist, 187 Central street.



## OFFICE OF PURCHASING AGENT

Scaled proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, until 11 a. m., Thursday, December 26, 1912, for furnishing the following supplies:

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2500 ft. 2 1/2 in. Fire Hose, according to specifications at the office of the Purchasing Agent.  
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## CATHOLIC PARISH NEWS

### Elaborate Xmas Preparations Made

#### FR. KELEHER AT FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC SOCIETIES

Religious and Social Events of the Churches and Societies—St. Columba's Parish Reunion

Rev. John F. Burns celebrated the parish mass at St. Peter's church yesterday morning, and Rev. W. George Mullin, the preacher, selected the text of his discourse from the Sunday's gospel.

An announcement was made of the fact that the masses on Christmas day will be celebrated at the same hours as the Sunday services, namely, 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.15, 10 and 11 o'clock, the latter being a solemn high mass with a special musical program by the regular choir and the vested choir. In accordance with a long honored custom, the 6 o'clock mass will be a high mass.

The regular choir has been rehearsing the mass of St. Philip Neri, an admirable composition and the work of the singers up to this time indicates that it will be superbly interpreted on Christmas day.

Rev. D. J. Keleher, pastor of St. Peter's church, attended the quarterly convention of the Federation of Catholic societies, which was held in a large hall in the basement of the Boston Cathedral Sunday afternoon, and he spoke briefly, complimenting the federation on its noble work and pledging the support of his parishioners to its continued advancement. At the election of the officers, Mr. James O'Sullivan of Lowell was chosen as one of the vice presidents.

There were 90 delegates present, representing societies and parish organizations whose combined membership at present aggregates more than 140,000. Charles T. Daly of West Medford, president, and Rev. Michael J. Scanlon, diocesan director of Catholic Charities, gave an interesting talk on "The Work of the Catholic Charitable Bureau."

Rev. John J. Starr, a former St. Peter's parish boy, now assistant to Rev. N. J. Murphy of Peabody, has entered upon his new duties. He will officiate as subdeacon at the solemn high mass in the Peabody Catholic church on Christmas day.

#### St. Patrick's Alumni

The committee in charge of the arrangements of the St. Patrick's Alumni banquet held a meeting yesterday and discussed plans for the event. Mr. John J. Sullivan presided and reports were read by Mr. James F. Hennessy, chairman of the committee on catering; Dr. Michael A. Tighe of the speakers' committee and others. Speeches were heard from Dr. Tighe, Mr. Hennessy, John F. Golden and Michael E. Adams.

#### St. Columba's

Rev. John Degan was the celebrant of the masses at St. Columba's church in Pawtucketville yesterday morning, and at each service he delivered a brief but convincing sermon on the subject taken from the gospel of the day.

Among the announcements it was said that there will be three masses on Christmas day, instead of two as on Sundays, and these masses will be celebrated at 7, 8.30 and 10.30 o'clock in the morning. At the high mass at half past ten, one of the Oblate Fathers will deliver a Christmas sermon. Fr. Degan also announced the names of the various committees which have been appointed to take charge of the parish reunion, which is to be held in association with the Christmas day. There will be a joint meeting of these committees on Friday evening, Dec. 27, at 8 o'clock in the church, to complete the arrangements for the event. The regular weekly whist parties which have taken place at the rectory of the church on Thursday evenings will be limited this week and the next social will be enjoyed on Thursday, Jan. 2, and will be under the auspices of the Tabernacle society.

#### Sacred Heart Church

The high mass at the church of the Sacred Heart Sunday was celebrated by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I., and the sermon of the day was delivered by Rev. J. T. McDermott, O. M. I. It was announced that there will be a meeting of the Sodality of the Children of Mary on Tuesday evening in the church, starting at half past seven. The choir which was so successful in its sacred concert a short time ago has prepared an excellent program of Christmas music for the services on Wednesday.

#### St. Michael's

Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor of St. Michael's church, celebrated the 10.45 high mass there yesterday and Rev. Francis J. Mullin preached on the gospel of the day.

The arrangements for the Christmas musical program have been completed and the Children of Mary choir will sing at the early masses.

#### Immaculate Conception Church

Rev. Herve Racette, O. M. I., of Tewksbury was a guest at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday and celebrated the parish high mass. Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., preached the sermon of the day. In the afternoon there was a meeting of the Children of Mary in Y. M. C. I. hall. The Junior branch of the Holy Name society received holy communion in a body at the early mass.

#### Larceny of Lenses

Supt. Welch of the police department has received word that the police of Machias, Me., have a man in custody charged with the larceny of photographer's lenses. An effort will be made to connect the man under arrest with the larceny of lenses in this city. On Nov. 2 a neat appearing and slick looking man visited the studios of Messrs. Hayden, Powell and McDermott and stole valuable lenses from each place.

#### Y. M. C. A. News

A physical department has been formed at the Y. M. C. A. and all aspiring for membership will be examined as to their physical condition. A meeting of the committee of the department was held Friday to formulate the rules of the department. Dr. G. M. Randall was appointed the chairman of the committee and he is to appoint physicians to examine all of the members of the association. The following is the list of the members of the committee: Dr. G. M. Randall, chairman; John Daly, Walter H. Hoyt, Walter Mussey, William Wilson, Dr. Yarnell, William T. Sheppard, A. J. Wieke and Leon Marston.

A meeting of the directors of the association is to be held at 7.30 tonight to transact whatever business may be brought before the meeting. It is planned to hold an aquatic meet with the Lawrence and Haverhill Y. M. C. A. Jan. 2.

A meeting was held a short time ago to decide as to the regulation suit that will be worn on the floor. The suit will consist of white running trunks and white soled sneakers for



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the boys and long gray trousers with a blue stripe for the business man. The chairman have been appointed for the different committees and they are as follows: William T. Sheppard, business men; John W. Daly, athletic and aquatic; William Wilson, basketball; Leon Morison, bowling; W. L. Mussey, leader's corps; Dr. G. M. Randall, medical staff.

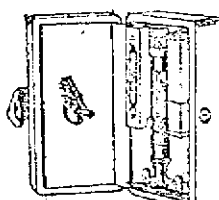
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## HICKEY PLEASSED WITH VERDICT

But Judge and Public Are Indignant That First Degree Finding Was Not Returned

BUFFALO, Dec. 23.—John Frank Hickey was late Saturday afternoon found guilty of murder in the second degree in the slaying of Edward Joseph of Lackawanna, Oct. 12, 1911.

It took a jury that had read Hickey's confession of that crime, of the murder of 12-year-old Michael Kruck in Central park, New York, and of the killing in a drug store in Lowell, Mass., of Edward Morey, 25 hours to reach a verdict that will not send the slayer to the death chair.

In court and among the people of the city and county the verdict was received with astonishment and anger. "I am too shocked and surprised to say anything at this time. I fear I might not do the subject justice; but I shall speak my mind plainly in court on Monday when I pronounce sentence on the prisoner," said Judge Charles S. Brown, who presided at the trial, when asked for an expression of opinion last night.

To the jury when it reported, Judge Brown said: "It is extremely to be regretted that justice could not be done to this defendant. The public and the court do not feel satisfied with the result. For those of you who have earnestly endeavored to procure a different result, the court extends its most appreciative and sincere thanks."

## Talk of Another Trial

Public indignation at the outcome of the trial is so intense that among the county authorities there is talk of the possibility of having Hickey tried in New York for the murder of the Kruck boy.

Thirteen ballots were taken to decide Hickey's fate. Twelve stood, according to the jurors, nine for conviction, three for not guilty on the insanity plea.

The 13th ballot was taken at 3:30 on Saturday afternoon, after the jury had reported to the court in the morning that it could not agree. Justice Brown at that time declined to discharge the jurors and directed them to return to the jury room in a further effort to arrive at a verdict.

Before the 13th ballot, when the jury asked for further instructions, Judge Brown practically ordered a verdict of first degree murder. He said:

"As there are no facts hostile to each and that cannot be reconciled, I do not feel justified in discharging you. Ordinarily when a jury has been out for 20 hours it is entitled to a discharge. Don't you think that if you can strip yourselves of any undue excitement and consider this case without feeling you can render a verdict?"

"Find Verdict That Will Satisfy"

"It is time that this terrible situation was remedied. It would be too distressing a thing to have this case now go to the people of Erie county without a verdict of one kind or another. I am going to send you back with the ad-

## DR. CARL L. ALSBERG

New Government Pure Food Expert

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, who succeeded Dr. Wiley as the government's pure food expert, says he stands squarely for the enforcement of the law, but until he becomes more familiar with the work he



DR. C. L. ALSBERG

is expected to do he refuses to discuss particular phases. Dr. Alsberg was born in New York in 1877 and was graduated from Columbia university in 1896. His father was a manufacturing chemist and chemical engineer. Dr. Alsberg has studied abroad and has recently been identified with Harvard college.

## A PICTURESQUE SIGHT

Stubborn Two-Alarm Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Firemen were kept on the jump early yesterday morning with a stubborn two-alarm blaze at Washington street and Dix place and a lively though smaller fire at 299 Purchase street. When these were all out of the way the apparatus was called out again to trouble at Polar and Spring streets, West End.

The building at Washington street and Dix place is a three-story old brick structure, having eight-inch walls, and is a Boston landmark. It is numbered 739 to 745 Washington street and extends back to 6 Dix place. The fire started in the basement under Kennedy & Co.'s saloon and raced up through an air and light shaft to the roof. Patrolman Sheehan was trying the doors shortly after 7 o'clock, when he saw the smoke coming from the front basement windows.

Before he could send in an alarm, the automatic box in the basement was sounded and five minutes later box 45 in Dewey square was sounded for the fire in Purchase street. Two minutes after this box 67 was sounded, making a complicated call.

By this time the flames seemed to fill the entire rear of the building and great clouds of smoke came from every window and door. There was a blind attic under the Mansard roof where the fire found ample fuel in the under-like structure. Soon the flames burned through the roof and reached high in the air, making a striking spectacle.

The dense smoke hung like a pall over the street. It seemed as if the fire filled the entire inside of the building and there seemed to be danger of its spreading to the adjoining buildings in Dix place and along Washington street. A second alarm was sent in and within five minutes the apparatus filled Washington, Tremont and Cross streets of the vicinity, diverting all surface street car and other traffic around the scene of the fire for nearly two hours.

WANT \$2.50 PER DAY

Boston City Employees Insist on Wage Increase

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Mayor O'Brien was defeated for re-election by the city employees of Boston, and history can be repeated any time you men so wish," was the declaration at the banquet of Boston Sanitary and Street Cleaning Teamsters and Helpers' union 149 last night by President Michael P. O'Brien of the National Federation of State, City and Town Employees' unions after he had told of the promises as yet unfulfilled to give Boston's city laborers a 25-cent increase so that their wages will be \$2.50 a day.

That \$15 a week is the smallest amount on which any American family can be expected to live these days, was Mayor Fitzgerald's own statement some months ago, Dec. O'Brien said, and he read a letter containing that statement to the gathering.

He declared that Mayor Fitzgerald should grant the raise to the city laborers or else "declare once and for all that he did not consider them Americans or worthy of getting a decent living wage."

Pres. O'Brien called attention to the fact that there were some 7000 city employees, all voters, with fathers or sons or brothers or relatives, or friends to resent any effort to deprive them of what belongs to them and has been long promised. He pointed to Brockton, Nahant, Beverly, Brookline, Newton and other cities and towns in Metropolitan Boston had already given or made provision for such a wage, he said, and Boston, which should be the leader in such matters, was apparently the last to better conditions.

Don't miss it, Associate hall, Xmas.

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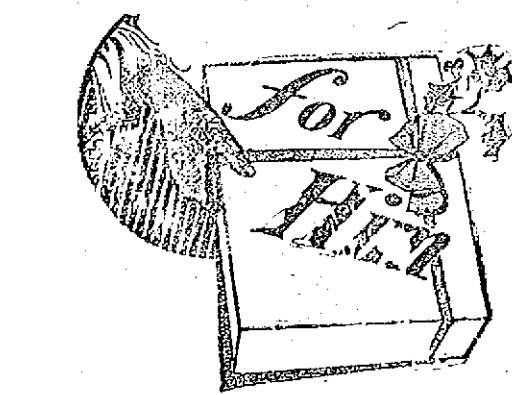
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You can't go wrong if you choose Neckwear. You'll be SURELY right if you choose at O'Brien's—and you'll not pay fancy prices. No matter how many ties he has, he wants to wear a new one on Christmas day. Don't disappoint him.

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The Smart Clothes Shop

222 MERRIMACK STREET.

## TWO MEN INSTANTLY KILLED

Michael Curran and Thomas Tsapouris, Lowell Men, Struck by Trains Yesterday

Michael Curran, foreman for E. A. Wilson & Co., for many years, was struck and instantly killed on the tracks of the Boston & Maine railroad in the vicinity of the roundhouse about 10:30 o'clock Saturday night. Curran went to the barn of his employers in Howard street Saturday night to attend a sick horse. Shortly after 10 o'clock he left the place to secure some medicine and started to walk across the railroad tracks toward Gorham street. In making the short cut he evidently stepped in front of a train and was killed, for about 10:30 o'clock his body was found on the tracks. Undertaker O'Connell was notified and the body was removed to his rooms after which it was taken to the home of the deceased, 67 Walker street.

The deceased was 45 years of age and leaves a wife, Mary, a mother in Ireland; four brothers, Peter of Ireland and Patrick, Thomas and Philip of this city, and three sisters, Ellen of this city and Mrs. Bridget Reynolds and Margaret of New York city. He was a member of Division 1, A. O. H. of Industry council, No. 1525, Royal Arcanum, and of Court General Division, No. 217, Foresters of America.

## Killed While Walking on Tracks

Thomas Tsapouris, aged 32 years and residing in upper Market street, was killed while walking on the tracks over the railroad bridge in Wigganville about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The man was unaccompanied and it is not known how he happened to be on the bridge. Undertaker O'Connell was notified and the body was removed to his warehouses in Gorham street.

## DRINK IN A QUIET SPOT

Citizens Object to "Caning" Can Order

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The honest but thirsty workman should be permitted to take his glass of beer to a quiet spot to drink it and no law should prohibit the custom was the decision of the central citizens' league of the District of Columbia as presented to the excise board today in protest against its anti-liquor order. The meeting of the league last night was peppery and there were numerous arguments for and against the resolutions but they eventually were adopted without opposition. The excise commissioners recently instituted an order prohibiting the carrying of beer and other liquors in anything but the original packages. Immediately there was a loud outcry by those who had been in the habit of buying the frothy beverage by the bucket. The commissioners took the protest under advisement.

## DISTRICT CHIEF RITCHIE

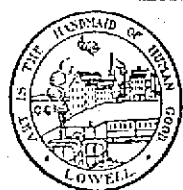
Of Boston Fire Dept. Dropped Dead

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—District Chief Robert Ritchie of the Boston fire department dropped dead at 10:30 last night in his quarters on Fireboat Engine 17, located in East Boston, adjacent to the South Ferry.

About two weeks ago he was attacked by erysipelas resulting from a burn received while on fire duty. He recovered and was back at his post a week ago. He was at his home 12 East Chelsea street, East Boston, for supper at 7 o'clock last night, apparently in excellent health.

About 10:30 o'clock Chief Ritchie was suddenly stricken with heart failure, the train and died before he could be given medical assistance.

Kittredge at Asso. afternoon and eve.



## NOTICE

Office of the Board of Health

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 15th, 1912.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held Dec. 17th, 1912, it was voted on account of the prevalence of Scarlet Fever in the city at the present time that the following recommendations be given to the public:

1. Pasteurize all the milk you use, or else use condensed milk or no milk at all during this epidemic.

2. To pasteurize milk bring water to the boiling point in the outer part of a double boiler. As much water should be used as can be contained in the outer part when the inner part of the boiler is in place. When the water boils, the outer part of the double boiler is taken off the fire and placed upon a piece of board. Then into the inner part is placed the milk and the inner part is inserted into the outer part of the double boiler and is covered. After the milk has been in the boiler 20 minutes, the inner part is placed in cold water. It should then be put on ice and covered.

3. Pasteurized milk may become re-infected if exposed to contagion.

4. Laundries that take clothes from a quarantined family do so at the risk of paying the penalty of the law.

5. While milk is a factor as a carrier of disease, contact direct or indirect is another and very prolific source of spreading the disease.

6. People quarantined should adhere strictly to the orders issued by the Board of Health.

The Board of Health is of the opinion that if these recommendations are followed out in every household, Scarlet Fever will soon disappear from the community.

PIERRE BRUNELLE, M. D.  
JOHN A. OSGOOD,  
THOMAS E. CARROLL, M. D.  
Board of Health.

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AND WANT A REAL

GOOD DINNER

TRY THE

LOWELL INN

## FAST SOCCER GAMES

Played in the L. L. and D.  
League Saturday

## HUNTING AND LIGHT BLUES

COULD NOT SCORE

Results of English Soccer Games—  
Scores of Saturday's Contests and  
League Standing

The soccer football game of the United States National League and the Massachusetts League, played on Saturday afternoon and evening, was able to score in one of the most important games that has been played in the history of the game. The game was very exciting and ended in a tie, 1-1, after a very hard fight.

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These are some of our famous brands and we have them in handsome Christmas packages, 25 in a box. Prices range, per box—

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Special Attention to Ladies

**LIGGETT'S HALL & LYON STORES**  
The Rexall Stores

ARE "IMPRATICABLE"

Boston Liquor Laws are Criticised

IN ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LICENSING BOARD

Holds That Sunday Drinking Places Are Necessary in a City Like Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Holding that Sunday drinking places of some kind are necessary to supply the demand for a city like Boston, the Boston licensing board in its annual report for the year ended Nov. 30 last suggests the substitution of drinking places or restaurants with a second class liquor license for the so-called hotels which have monopolized the Sunday liquor trade.

This second class license permits the holder to sell malt liquor, cider and light wines only, and the board's report shows that only five such licenses are in force at the present time.

The board, in connection with this and other matters, would like to have the present liquor laws revised and simplified.

Several laws governing the liquor business as it exists in Boston today, the report says, "are impracticable, and the same can be said of other laws affecting business conducted on Sunday, intelligence offices, fruit stores and common victuallers."

"Many of the citizens of Boston, including numerous licensees of all classes, are of foreign birth and have inherited modes of living common to other countries. They will better understand and respect laws which are enacted only after a careful consideration of their desires in common with the desires of all other citizens, and which, when enforced, will have no suggestion of favoritism."

"If such a revision is made after a careful consideration of the demands of larger cities, the board believes that the legislature would be relieved of consideration of proposed license laws for a substantial period, and that such a revision would effect a better control of the branches of business which are conducted under licenses."

Special subjects considered by the board are the "disgraceful" license and the effect of the bar and bottle act. In the former it finds much that is undesirable, and recommends a law requiring a physician's prescription for sale of liquor by druggists.

The bar and bottle law, it holds, has greatly increased the number of saloons in the city and has enabled the holders of fourth class licenses to build up their business to a large extent.

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Many folks think that Washington will be one of the contenders in the American league race again next season.

The reason that the Washington club was up in the race all season was due largely to the fact that it has three of the best catchers in baseball, Al Smith, Henry and Williams, as good as any three ordinary pitchers. When Griffith secured the services of Griffith about early in the season, 1912, he got a new catcher and played great ball and made it all the better. There wasn't any talk about the work of the Washington club at the time.

The American league circuit the past season. Watch them next season. They will make it very interesting for every club in the race. They have the pitchers, and the fact that a club needs above everything else.

You can't down Clark Griffith. New York's saving about the 1912 season, telling his plans of defense, and how Walter Johnson is going to pitch the first and second games of the third day and then pitch the fourth and fifth.

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Only one day more left, and we want everyone to have an equal opportunity to secure one of these beautiful Club Pianos for Christmas.

**Tuesday will be the Last Day**

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For Fine Showing of the Senators

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## SEVEN GIRLS LOCKED UP

As Result of Outbreak of Disorder

CLINTON, Dec. 22.—In consequence of an outbreak of disorder and an attempt at jail delivery last night at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, seven girls, inmates of the school, were brought to this city about midnight and locked up in the police station.

The outbreak occurred not at the main building of the school, but at the Boston Annex, a mile or more distant, where the worst girls and those requiring special treatment are housed. It has generally been from 20 to 25 inmates.

About 5 o'clock last evening some of the girls, allowed out on the grounds, met some men of Lancaster and made plans for a jail delivery. Several hours later these young men and others came to the building and made a demonstration, shouting and threatening to break into the house, but it appears, actually doing very little.

The house officers and attendants attempted to keep the girls quiet and under control, and they succeeded in driving the young men away before any jail delivery was effected. Many of the girls, however, and seven in particular, were out of their rooms and rushing about the corridors, trying to get past the attendants and make their escape.

It was proposed to lock each of the seven most riotous girls in a room by herself, but they insisted that they should be locked up by twos, and when this was refused, set upon their attendants. A sharp fist fight followed, and finally all seven girls got into one room and shut themselves in, barricading the door.

The house officer, finding himself unable to come with them, notified the superintendent of the school at the main building, and assistance was asked from the police. Deputy Sheriff C. C. Sanderson and Patrolman Ernest C. Cullen and Chief of Police George A. Sampson of Lancaster went to the school.

They broke in the door of the room in which the girls were, and, finding with no further resistance, carried the girls in automobiles to this town, where they were locked up.

Former Pres. Castro

May Not be Permitted to Land Here

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Whether Castro, former president of Venezuela, will be permitted to land

in the United States is being considered by officials of this government. It is reported that he has started from Paris for New York but of this the state department has not been advised.

Officials frankly confess that they have not yet reached a decision as to the treatment to be accorded if Castro should appear at an American port. Technically there is no charge against him, though the treatment he meted out to the members of the diplomatic corps in Caracas while he was the practical dictator of Venezuela and his disregard for every representation made by the American minister in the interest of Americans who held valuable concessions incensed the state department against him.

Furthermore there has been a tacit understanding that American influence

would be used to prevent Castro from returning to South America and disrupting the peaceful relations with foreign countries which the government of President Gomez now enjoys. Officials of the immigration service, who it has been suggested might prevent the landing of the ex-president as an undesirable alien have so far no request from the state department to act in that manner.

Postoffice Employees Very Busy

The Christmas rush is now in full swing at the postoffice and every department is rushed. Many of the carriers are now working. The money order business is one of the departments that is always kept busy at this time, and both domestic and foreign money orders are being issued.

PLUMBING AND HEATING STOCK

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And quantity of wrought iron pipe, malleable cast iron and steam water pipe, brass pipe and fittings. One No. 364 C. Gurney hot water heater, capacity 1100 feet of radiation. One No. 317 S. Richmond steam heater, capacity 500 feet of radiation. Can be bought at manufacturers' wholesale price, by applying at Room 201, Bradley Building.

These are all new goods direct from the factory. Also one Jewel incubator, capacity 100 eggs. One Jewel outdoor brooder, capacity 100 chicks, both used but once.



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DESIRABLE 7-ROOM TENEMENT, with pantry, bath and wash room, hot water, cold water, furnace heat, on two car lines, near stores. Price low to desirable tenant. Apply 276 Westford st.

SUITE OF ROOMS TO LET. FIRST floor, hot and cold water in room. Weston House, 63 Brookings st. First street above Merrimack Square theatre.

7-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET ON Stockbridge st. Apply at 23 Stockbridge st., or to W. D. Hogan, 302 Wyman's Exchange.

3-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET. BATH, pantry, open plumbing, at 155 Chelmsford st. Inquire on premises.

MODERN UPSTAIRS FLAT TO LET. 6 rooms, hot water, furnace heat, 12 St. Foster st. Inquire at 61.

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NEWLY FURNISHED ROOMS FOR light housekeeping. Apply 179 Middlesex st.

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FIRST CLASS BOARD AND ROOMS to let; steam heat; most desirable residential district in Lowell; one block west of Westford st. car line. Inquire Mrs. Nettie Saunders, 40 Gates st. Tel. 2685.

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ROOM SUITABLE FOR BARBER shop or business office to let on second floor of the Harrington bldg., 52 Central st.

FOR RENT JAN. 1ST. Store now occupied by the Greenwood Tailoring Co., 109 Merrimack St. Call at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

50,000 TOBACCO TAGS WANTED. 30c a hundred. Carr's Pool Parlors, 38 Gorham st. Opp. Post Office.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES. Lowell Opera House.

One of the treats of each theatrical season is that old but ever popular stage story, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," as presented by Stetson's big spectacular company, which will be seen at the Opera House Christmas Day, Saturday and night. As in former years, Manager Westburn has equipped his string company with all new effects and stunts, scenic, electrical and mechanical surprises are promised. The vaudeville and specialty numbers are said to be of the 1912 brand, while the negro melodies and the old southern plantation songs are rendered as only the genuine southern darlings know how to sing them.

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NEW FIFTH TENEMENT TO LET. 5 rooms, pantry and bath; soapstone sink and trays; coal and wood shed; hot water, cold water, furnace heat; \$1.50; at 112 Appleton st.

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STORE TO LET, ON UPPER CORNHILL, near railroad bridge, 12x23; large glass front; rent \$10 per month. There is an opening in this locality for any of the following businesses, tailor, variety or shoe store, laundry, or most any kind of a business. Big public traffic; more than 3000 people pass the door every day. Inquire at 327 Gorham st.

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FOR RENT JAN. 1ST. Store now occupied by the Greenwood Tailoring Co., 109 Merrimack St. Call at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

50,000 TOBACCO TAGS WANTED. 30c a hundred. Carr's Pool Parlors, 38 Gorham st. Opp. Post Office.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES. Lowell Opera House.

One of the treats of each theatrical season is that old but ever popular stage story, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," as presented by Stetson's big spectacular company, which will be seen at the Opera House Christmas Day, Saturday and night. As in former years, Manager Westburn has equipped his string company with all new effects and stunts, scenic, electrical and mechanical surprises are promised. The vaudeville and specialty numbers are said to be of the 1912 brand, while the negro melodies and the old southern plantation songs are rendered as only the genuine southern darlings know how to sing them.

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STORAGE FOR FURNITURE. Separate rooms \$1 per month for regular \$2 two-horse load. The dryest and cleanest place for storage in Lowell. Telephone connection. L. Prouty, 325 Bridge st.

FOR SALE. BARBER SHOP FOR SALE. Four chairs, dresser, and other fixtures. Suitable for a barber shop. Apply 235 Middlesex st.

MAHOGANY UPRIGHT PIANO FOR sale. In fine condition. Price very low if sold at once. Call 33 Elmwood ave. Bridge st.

NEW UPRIGHT PIANO FOR SALE. As good as new in perfect order. \$45 cash. 337 Lawrence st.

MARKET LOWER, TURKEYS 15c to 20c per lb.; choice chickens and fowl 15c per lb. Pike's market, just west of Westford st. Tel. 2685.

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PIANOS—THE BEST NEW PIANOS for the last money in Lowell or Boston are sold by J. T. Quayle, 711 Central st., on easy payments, or 12 1/2c for rent, with no expense and still choice first class well known pianos for \$10 less than store price. You can save money and get better pianos if you call on J. T. Quayle, 711 Central st. Save this ad.

100 HENS FOR SALE. JOSEPH Carpenter, 12 Mitchell ave., Pawtucket, R.I.

50 YEARLING HENS FOR SALE. As good as new. Inquire 122 Chelmsford st.

MILL RUN REMNANTS FOR SALE at the Merrimack Utilization Co., 38 Warren st. Cotton flannel cloth, all colors, from 1/2 to 1 1/2 yards in length, 25 cents up.

GOOD DELIVERY HORSE FOR sale, about 1000 lbs. Apply Geo. Fairbank, 334 High st. Tel. 2563.

LIGHT EXPRESS WAGON FOR sale, nearly new, built by Swent; also refrigerator, and high top light new. Inquire A. Healey, Graniteville, Tel. 14-2, Westford.

FAIR BARGAINS—NEW PIANO and a good second hand piano for sale. These must be sold. Call E. Blackett, 65 Dover st.

VAHET STORE FOR SALE. Doing good business. Inquire 333 Gorham st.

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At that. The Ceyling Brunettes are at that. All low a subject, to avoid any introduction to a local public. Their peddling in every known pose is eagerly sought after by theatrical managers. Kelley and Galvin are listed as fundsmen. Under that title is frequently concealed many schemes of the kind, and the name of the company is used to deceive the unwary. Asaki, the revolving Jap, is a clever entertainer with a new sort of drill to give. Romano & Briggio constitute a knockout musical team. The first is a harpist, the second plays the violin, and their melodies are a mixture of the classics and the very latest. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hart close the big bill with their imitable comedy called "Going to the Ball." Many good seats remain for the week, although they are bound to go very fast. Box office telephone number 25.

Merrimack Square Theatre. Special efforts have been made to make the bill presented at the Merrimack Square this week a good one, and that Manager Carroll succeeded in that regard. The first of the new bill, "Two Pins in a Box," presented by that ever popular company, the Temple Players, is the "star" act, but that doesn't mean that it's the only act of merit. Far be it. For besides there are Elliott and West, who are a pair of clever dancers, russet, presented "A Night on Crookville," which is one of this season's best novelties. Elmer Crawford, an accomplished violinist, and last but not least, a complete new series of photoplays, among which is to be found a Tangle Theatre, particularly appropriate to the time, called "Madelin's Christmas."

JUMPED OFF SAWHORSE. Thomas Woods Ends Life in Worcester by Hanging—Blacksmith for City for 20 Years.

WORCESTER, Dec. 23.—While members of his family were in another part of the house yesterday, Thomas Woods, aged 42 of 22 Water street, went to the cellar and committed suicide by hanging himself.

Woods had been a blacksmith for the city for 20 years. When discovered by members of the family the body was lying on the cellar floor, twice that long, and having parted when he jumped off a sawhorse.

Dr. Richard J. Shanahan, the police surgeon, was summoned, but the man was beyond medical aid when the ambulance arrived. Dr. Shanahan notified Medical Examiner Frederick H. Baker, who pronounced death due to strangulation.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL. The members of Court Middlesex, E. of A., met yesterday afternoon and elected the following new officers for the ensuing term: Chief ranger, Thomas Quinn; sub chief ranger, James Dunn; financial secretary, John McGee; treasurer, Michael McNiff; recording secretary, James H. Hickey; steward, Edward Brick; junior leader, Edward Burns; junior leader, Frank Donovan.

At the business meeting many rumors were spread.

NATURALITY. Customer—What's that book? Clerk—"Experiences of a Frenchman." Customer—An autobiography, eh?

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT. "Do you expect to spend a pleasant Christmas?" "I ought to. That's about all I have left to spend."

VARIEGATED. Tourist—You Americans have always a practice of swindling the poor native. Yes, we've always found him very green.

A SURPRISE. "I am going to give my wife a real surprise this Christmas."

"What?" "What are you going to give her?" "The money."

THE LAST RESORT. "Has your wife finished her Christmas shopping yet?" "Quite. But she spent every thing but her soap shavings."

## HELP WANTED

BARBER WANTED AT ONCE. Apply 165 Middlesex st. E. Champagne.

EXPERIENCED OUTSIDE CUTTERS. Apply Johnson & Hazelton Shoe Co., Boston.

EXPERIENCED FITTERS WANTED on men's coats and suits. Apply Stover & Bann, 1100 Bridge st.

COAL AND WOOD TEAMSTER wanted; steady work for right man. Inquire John P. Quinn, 327 Gorham st.

BLACKSMITHS WELDER WANTED. Apply at once, 14 Livingston st.

WELTERS WANTED. GOOD WORK and good pay. Pontreux Woolen Mfg. Co., Pittsfield, Mass.

SEWERS WANTED. At Talbot Mills, North Billerica.

LOST AND FOUND. BLACK BRINDLE FRENCH BULL dog, lost 11 months old. Reward for return to 725 Merrimack st.

\$21 LOST FROM A HAND BAG ON Gorham, Central or Merrimack sts. Finder please return to or notify H. L. Sun, Office and residence, 1000 Bridge st.

AMBER COLORED, GOLD string watch lost Sunday night, between 2 and 3 o'clock, and on way home from St. Peter's church to Central st. through Elm st. Reward if returned to Mary P. O'Day, 100 Central st.

LOST OF KEYS. LOST. FINDER please return at once in Room 25, Central block and receive reward.

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Sunlight shoe repairing. All kinds.  
while you wait. James Goughlin.  
Leavenworth's plum pudding and  
kisses to be ready, full of fruit.  
Miss Eva M. White of this city is  
visiting friends in Salem for several  
days.

Miss Norwood of School street left  
today to visit friends in Concord, N.  
H., during the Christmas vacation.

The election of the officers of the  
Lowell Y.M.C.A. association will be held  
tonight in their rooms in Burns building.

Miss Alice Margison of 23 Richmond  
street has come to New York to  
spend the Christmas with her aunt,  
Mrs. Ernest Hubbard.

Don't you think a Deposit in The  
Lowell City Savings Bank would be  
a fine Christmas present for the  
little ones?

Mrs. J. D. Williams of 20 Cabot  
street and her daughters, the Misses  
Ann and Helen, sailed from Boston  
Saturday afternoon on the S. S. Diana  
via Norfolk. They will spend the  
Christmas holidays at their former  
home, Lynchburg, Va., with Mrs. W.  
H. Williams, mother, Mrs. S. C. Meyer, and  
which they will visit relatives and  
friends in Washington, Lawyers, Rea-  
ders and Teachers.

Painting, Associate, Fri. eve.  
BIG PRIZE STEER

Is on Exhibition at Saunders' Market  
on Gorham Street Today—Many Or-  
ders for Steaks and Roasts Received.

John F. Saunders is one of the  
proudest men in the city over the ar-  
rival of a wonderful mammoth steer that  
was slaughtered at the Armour house  
in Chicago last week. This wonderful  
steer must have been the monarch of  
the west as he tipped on the hoof over  
three pounds and dressed at something  
over a thousand pounds, and when  
standing around a stock farm he would  
be taken out to many of the western  
farm and without any hesitation on the  
part of the judges was awarded the  
first prize, and it was not only  
weight but wonderfully perfect in  
form, having scored all the points that  
go to make a perfect steer. Armour &  
Co., New York, that Mr. Saunders was  
one of the greatest distributors in this  
country as a dealer, thought  
they could not have a prize better, go to  
a more worthy customer. This won-  
derful carcass is on exhibition at Mr.  
Saunders' market and is exciting the  
admiration of all the people who see it.  
The beef is adorned with the same blue  
ribbon that he had so recently taken at  
one of the big western fairs. A person  
who is fortunate enough to be able to  
get a steak or a roast from this big  
and juicy carcass would certainly have  
one that might well be relished. Mr.  
Saunders has received many orders for  
steaks and roasts from this wonderful  
beef carcass. This is only one of the  
wonderful sights at this market. While  
this steer is the headline the poultry  
exhibition is almost as great. 50,000  
pounds is a great lot of poultry, but  
with turkeys, geese, chickens, ducks  
and everything in the poultry line, it  
looks bigger than enormous weight.  
This will all disappear in a few days  
and tomorrow evening if the usual po-  
tentialities that receive comes to his  
store. If you have time, drop in and  
see that wonderful beef, and take a  
look at the turkeys and the other lines  
of poultry.

If you want help at home or in your  
business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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## FUNERALS

**CHURCH**—The funeral of Patrick  
Cahill took place yesterday afternoon  
at 2:30 o'clock from his home, 10  
Peters street. Prayers were said at  
St. Patrick's church at 2:30, by Rev. Daniel  
J. Heenan. The bearers were  
Messrs. Joseph Pryor, William Moran,  
James Hallyworth, John Sullivan and  
John Boyle, all of this city, and Thomas  
McDonough of Waltham. Undertakers  
Messrs. Higgins had charge of the  
funeral arrangements.

**BURKE**—The funeral of James  
Burke took place Saturday afternoon  
from the home of his brother Edward,  
92 Central street. Prayers for the  
soul were said at St. Patrick's church at  
2 o'clock by Rev. W. J. Heenan.

**WESTERN DIVISION**  
This was a procession of local offi-  
cers, which were as follows:  
Messrs. William Moran, James Hallyworth,  
John Sullivan, John Boyle, all of this city,  
and Thomas McDonough of Waltham.  
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**DOUGLAS**—The funeral of Miss  
Lillian Douglas took place Saturday  
afternoon from the home of her mother,  
Mrs. J. H. Douglas, 100 Market street.  
The bearers were Messrs. James, Frank  
and Andrew Connors, and Francis  
Parker. The funeral was in St. Patrick's  
church, where the committal prayers  
were said by Rev. Father Kerrigan of  
St. Patrick's church. Undertaker C. H.  
Malloy was in charge of the funeral  
arrangements.

**WELTON**—The funeral of Captain  
John Welton took place Saturday af-  
ternoon from the home of his mother,  
Mrs. J. E. Welton, 30 Fourth street.  
The bearers were Messrs. James, Frank  
and Andrew Connors, and Francis  
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were said by Rev. Father Kerrigan of  
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Malloy was in charge of the funeral  
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**GUTHRIE**—The funeral of Alice Gerry,  
infant daughter of Louis and Alice  
Gerry, took place yesterday afternoon  
at 2 o'clock from the home of her par-  
ents, 7 Richardson avenue. The burial  
was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge  
of Undertaker J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

**MAYO**—The funeral of John Mayo  
took place yesterday afternoon from  
the home of his son, James Mayo, 65  
Mammoth road, at 2 o'clock, and was  
largely attended by relatives and  
friends. Among the many beautiful  
floral tributes were the following:  
Large pillow of roses, chrysanthemums  
and ferns, all of which were from  
Miss Mary Kelley, Mrs. and Miss  
Abbott; spray of roses, Mrs. William  
Campbell. The bearers were Messrs.  
Michael Lynch, Thomas Riley, Edward  
O'Neill, Daniel W. O'Neil, Frederick  
Mayo and Henry McCarthy. The burial  
was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Rev.  
John A. Deane, pastor of St. Gallen's  
church, read the committal prayers.  
Undertaker Peter H. Savage was in  
charge of the funeral arrangements.

**BENNETT**—The funeral services of  
Mrs. Eva Lee Bennett were held Sat-  
urday afternoon from her home, 55  
Mammoth road, at 2 o'clock, by Rev. C.  
Mitchell of North Adams. Approp-  
riate songs were sung by Miss Ruth  
Bennett. The bearers were Messrs.  
Benjamin, Arthur Colburn,  
D. W. Maybury and Henry Taylor. The  
local tributes were many and beau-  
tiful. The burial was in the family  
lot in the Edison cemetery. Under-  
taker C. M. Young was in charge of  
the funeral arrangements.

**HEALEY**—James R. Healey, son of  
Owen and Margaret Healey, took place  
yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock  
from the home of his parents, 115 Ad-  
ams street. The burial was in St.  
Patrick's cemetery in charge of Un-  
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**BROWN**—The funeral services of  
Mrs. Julia E. Brown were held Sat-  
urday afternoon from her home, 30  
Fourth street, Rev. Mr. Newcomb of-  
ficiating. The bearers were Messrs.  
J. W. Griffin, C. H. Childs, E. W. Flaherty  
and John Fletcher. The floral trib-  
utes were many and beautiful. The  
burial was in the family lot in the  
Edison cemetery. Undertaker C. M.  
Young was in charge of the funeral  
arrangements.

**LEITH**—The funeral of Mrs. Mar-  
garet Anna Leith was held Saturday  
afternoon from her home, 105 Andrews  
street. The funeral services were held  
at the Gorham Street Primitive Metho-  
dist church at 2:30. Rev. N. W. Mat-  
thews officiated. The bearers were  
Messrs. Dr. G. W. Leary, Messrs.  
E. Frank Leith, Alfred P. Leith, Rob-  
ert W. Leith. The floral tributes were

**BARRETT**—The funeral of Kathleen  
Tolma Barrett took place this morn-  
ing at 2 o'clock from the home of  
her parents, James and Catherine Bar-  
rett at 5 Tyler street and was largely  
attended. Burial was in St. Pat-  
rick's cemetery. The funeral arrange-  
ments were in charge of Undertaker  
John J. O'Connell.

**TSAPOURIS**—The funeral of Thomas  
Tsapouris took place this afternoon  
at 2:30 o'clock. Services were held  
at 2 o'clock at the Greek Orthodox  
church. Rev. Constantine H. Demetriou  
officiating. Burial was in the Ed-  
ison cemetery. The funeral arrange-  
ments were under direction of Un-  
dertaker John J. O'Connell.

**MULLIN**—The funeral of Mrs. Brid-  
get T. Mullin took place this morning  
at 2:30 o'clock from her home, 6  
Bleachery street, and was largely at-  
tended by sorrowing relatives and  
friends. The funeral cortege proceed-  
ed to the Sacred Heart church, where  
at 9 o'clock a mass of requiem was  
sung by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I.  
The sanctuary choir sang the Gre-  
gorian mass. At the offertory Miss  
Brown sang "Pie Jesu," and as the re-  
mains were being borne from the  
church Miss Catherine Hickey sang  
"De Profundis." Mr. John Kelly pre-  
sided at the organ. Among the many  
floral tributes was a large pillow in-  
scribed "Pie Jesu," from the  
bereaved family; standing wreath of  
base inscribed "At Rest," employees of  
loading room, U. S. Cartridge shop;  
standing cross inscribed "Sleeping,"  
employees of quilt department, Lowell  
Bleachery; crescent wreath, Phoenix  
amateurs; wreath, Mrs. Geary and fam-  
ily; wreath, Mrs. John J. O'Connell;  
Laurel wreath of wheat and roses,  
J. J. McKeown and J. Fred McHugh;  
sprays from the following: Annie T.  
Gormley, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kenney,  
Mr. and Mrs. W. Flanagan, Miss  
Margaret McCarroll, Misses Gertrude,  
Annie and Ella Ward and Nellie Rod-  
don. Spiritual offerings, employees of  
quilt department, Lowell Bleachery,  
and John Murnighan and family.  
The bearers were John Murnighan,  
J. McKeown, Peter Sheehan, Michael  
O'Connor, Joseph Gormley and John  
J. McKeown. Burial was in the fam-  
ily lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. The  
final prayers were read by Rev.  
Fr. Flynn, O. M. I. Undertakers M.  
H. McDonough Sons had charge of the  
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**SCANLON**—Miss Maria Scanlon died  
yesterday at St. John's hospital. She  
leaves a brother, Patrick, of this city,  
and a brother and sister in Ire-  
land. Her body was taken to the home  
of Mr. Charles Sheehan, 37 Oak street, by  
Undertakers Higgins Brothers.

**SEXTON**—Miss Della M. Sexton died  
yesterday at the rectory of the Church  
of the Immaculate Conception. She  
leaves a father, Thomas, of Ireland;  
seven sisters, Sarah, Nora and Mrs.  
Patrick Vaughn of Ireland; Nellie and  
Basie of this city; Sister Veronika of  
the Sisters of St. Joseph, in Har-  
vard, and Katie of Australia; and  
three brothers, James of Ireland, John  
of Fairhaven, Conn., and Patrick of  
Australia.

**FINNEGAN**—Mrs. Mary Finnegan, wife  
of Michael Finnegan, the well  
known janitor of the Coburn school,  
died yesterday at St. John's hospital,  
aged 58 years. She was a member  
of the Immaculate Conception church  
and of the Holy Rosary society of  
that church. She leaves her husband,  
two sons, Michael and James,  
and two daughters, Miss Mary E.  
and Miss Elizabeth V. Her body was  
taken to her home, 14 Fayette street,  
by Undertakers Higgins Bros.

**ELLIOTT**—Miss Nora Elliott died  
Sunday morning, after a short illness,  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James  
Elliott, 12 Middlesex street, aged 16  
years. She was a popular young wo-  
man, and her many friends will feel  
her death keenly.

**HEALEY**—James R. Healey, infant  
son of Owen and Margaret Healey, died  
Saturday at the home of his parents,  
115 Adams street, aged one year and  
nine months.

**O'CONNOR**—Mrs. Catherine O'Con-  
nor, wife of Patrick W. O'Connor, died  
Saturday at the State infirmary, aged  
45 years. Besides her husband, she  
leaves one sister, Miss Ellen O'Con-  
nor, widow of late John O'Connor.  
The body was taken to the church of  
St. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

**GILCHRIST**—Mrs. Isabella Gilchrist  
died Monday at the home of her daugh-  
ter, Mrs. J. J. Briggs, 39 Shedd street,  
aged 84 years. She was a member of  
the St. Patrick's church. The body was  
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## THREE TENEMENTS SET ABLAZE

Firebug in Boston—8 Injured in Fall of Ladder—Daring Rescues by Firemen

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Three fires, all of suspicious origin, in which at least eight persons were injured, some of them seriously, and in the course of which there were many sensational rescues by firemen and citizens, started by the North End last night. The firemen and police believe that the North End firebug, who created consternation in that section, had broken out again.

The three fires were all set in cellars, and so far as the firemen could ascertain there was only one way in which they could have started and that was by being set by some one seeking excitement.

In less than four hours, the fires were started in the district within a short distance of each other, and in each case the firemen sought out a place where he could do his work in the shelter of some dark alleyway.

Timely work by the police, firemen and citizens prevented loss of life, but of these injured seriously at one of the fires, at least three of them will remain in the hospitals for weeks.

### Eight Persons Fall

The last serious fire was near North street, where, during the excitement, too many crowded onto a fire department ladder, which broke, throwing eight persons 25 feet to the ground, where they fell in a heap.

Another startling incident at the last fire of the night was the thoughtful act of an Italian woman, who threw a lamp to a frantic father-in-law, a childless widow so that he was enabled to save his three little children in the back yard.

When the firemen became convinced that the fires were the work of an incendiary, Capt. Sullivan sent out word through the division to be especially

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ious to make the 15-foot jump to the pavement below.

As soon as the men of Ladder 1, from Portland street, arrived a 35-foot ladder was thrown up and the men carried on with dispatch, Porter passing as many as he could from the lowest fire escape.

The firemen rescued from the second floor the family of Pasquale De Napoli, wife and six children. From the third floor they rescued Raphael Perulli and his family of 10 children and also Joseph Rappucci and his wife and family of six children.

Serg. Donovan and Patrolman Wilson of the Hanover street station got up onto the fire escape and assisted the firemen in the work of rescue.

### Fall on Heap of Scrap Iron

While the work of rescue was being carried on, and practically completed, eight persons, four of them firemen, were injured by the breaking of the ladder. The ladder snapped about 15 feet from the top, throwing every one on it in a heap to the ground. When they fell they dropped onto a heap of old scrap iron.

Hoseman Porter of Engine Company 4, living at 21 St. Vernon street, Charleston, was one of the injured. He was on the ladder, and when it broke he fell onto the heap of scrap iron. He was injured, but not seriously.

### Frances of the Firebug

Serg. Donovan, Patrolman Wilson and others immediately went to the work of rescuing them and Deputy Chief Griffin was in charge. The injured persons were pulled out and cared for. The injured were hurried to the hospital in ambulances.

The accident aroused excitement among the spectators, as it was feared there had been great loss of life. It was reported that the fire had spread to the third floor, but the firemen were able to contain it.

### Mr. Vigliotti's Clever Work

Mrs. Sarah Vigliotti, who lives on the first floor of the house, 35 Shattuck street, displayed considerable presence of mind in the course of the fire, which broke out shortly after 9 o'clock in the cellar of the three-story tenement house, 23 Cleveland place. She saw from her rear windows which face the rear windows of the Cleveland place house, smoke curling up out of the cellar.

The smoke welled up through the house and Giuseppe Baroni, who lives on the top floor with his wife Natalie and three small children, was cut off. He threw open the rear window and shouted for help, crying at the top of his voice that his three children would be burned to death.

Mrs. Vigliotti grabbed her clothes-line and succeeded in throwing one end of the line to the frantic man in the open window. She threw the line from the shed in the rear of her house, making a distance of about 20 feet. The Shattuck-street house is much higher than those on Cleveland place, as they are up the side of old Copp's Hill.

### Children Lowered to Safety

Grabbing hold of the line, Baroni pulled it up and then tied it about the waist of first one child, which he lowered to the yard, then hauling it up repeated again and again until he had safely lowered his three children. Mrs. Vigliotti stood below, and assisted by Raphael Garro took the child and cheered the man on.

By this time someone had rushed around to the quarters of Engine Co. 8 and they reported, Capt. Hines saw that ladders were necessary and an alarm was sent in. As soon as ladder company 1 got to the rear and Capt. Hines of Engine Company 1, with several men of ladder 1, went upstairs and brought Baroni and his wife down. Mrs. Baroni was in a faint and was taken to the hospital.

## POWER OF RAILROADS

Pointed Out by Conant in Letter to President

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Railroad companies and steamship combinations control the regular steamship lines of the United States and have destroyed competition on many of the water highways of commerce, declares J. P. Conant, Jr., commissioner of corporations, in a report to President Taft today.

The revelations of the report, based upon an extensive investigation, force upon the federal government, says the commissioner, the consideration of further regulation of joint rail and water traffic.

In practically all the coast waters of the country, it is declared, railroad or steamship consolidations dominate both through passenger and package freight trade. Is especially striking, says Commissioner Conant, on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts and on the Great Lakes. Water lines along the eastern seaboard, he adds, have become to a large extent auxiliaries or subsidiaries of railroads. While competition exists in greater measure on the Pacific coast, the commissioner points out important instances of railroad control there.

It is a striking fact, says Commissioner Conant that between a number of the more important ports on the Atlantic and Gulf coast there is only a single regular service.

The New Haven system, it is charged, "has pursued a determined policy of suppressing any effective competition on Long Island Sound and several, at least, of its recent acquisitions must be charged as due to this policy." Elimination of competition, also, was an important factor, said Commissioner Conant, in the New Haven's purchase of a majority interest in the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation company.

The extensive water traffic between New York City and New England, the report adds, by the New Haven

road or by the Eastern Steamship Company in which the New Haven is a considerable stockholder, though claiming to have no voice in the management.

The Southern Pacific likewise is charged to have shown "a disposition to restrict competition" on the Atlantic coast although its steamship lines "are really a water extension of that company's rail lines." In addition, the report says, "the control of the Southern Pacific by the Union Pacific (recently dissolved by the United States supreme court) obviously tended to limit the importance of competition by the Southern Pacific's rail and water routes."

The railroads controlling the greatest tonnage of steamship lines, according to Mr. Conant, are the New Haven system, Union Pacific-Southern Pacific, the Pennsylvania, New York Central and Central of Georgia.

Nearly all the important anthracite fleets on the North Atlantic coasts, the commissioner says, are owned by a few great anthracite railroads.

A number of the principal canals of the country have been abandoned or fallen into disuse, the report declares, because of railroad influence.

"The conditions here set forth," says Mr. Conant, "cannot fail to command attention. So far as the eastern part of the country is concerned, water lines have to a large extent become auxiliaries or subsidiaries of railroads. These conditions force consideration of the policy to be adopted toward such water carriers. Since water competition has in considerable measure been restricted by railroad control of water lines, this fact must be taken account of. The interstate commerce commission has by recent legislation secured a considerable increase in jurisdiction over joint rail and water traffic, particularly with respect to the establishment of joint rail and water rates and the equitable division of such rates between the co-carriers. This is a matter of vital importance. If there is to be any successful attempt to increase competition in domestic water traffic, it seems certain that such joint arrangements should be far more generally established than at present. Since joint through rates are almost invariably less than the sum of the least rates, a steamship line deprived of the advantage of a joint-rate arrangement with railroads on an equitable basis is practically unable to compete with a rival enjoying it."

The report says that 20 railroads of the country control steam vessels and barges of \$10,000 gross tonnage en-

gaged exclusively in domestic trade and

continues: "The tonnage of the New Haven system is the largest, aggregating a little over 250,000 gross tons. Next in importance is the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific, with a grand total excluding tonnage engaged in foreign trade of over 150,000 gross tons. The Pennsylvania Railroad Co.'s water lines have 125,000 gross tons in steamers and 350,000 tons in barges; the New York Central, over 50,000 gross tons; the Central of Georgia railway, over 40,000 gross tons.

"The total capitalization of water lines controlled by these railroads (this not covering holding companies and several very important unincorporated services) aggregates \$54,339,375 in stock and \$31,203,357 in bonded debt. Of the stock \$10,233,500 and of the bonds \$2,111,127 are owned by 15 railroads or their subsidiaries. In most instances railroads own practically all the stock of the separately incorporated water lines which they control."

Of the traffic not dominated by railroads along the eastern seaboard, the great bulk, adds the report, is controlled by two important steamship consolidations, the Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies steamship lines and the Eastern Steamship corporation. With a few exceptions the constituent companies of these consolidations were formerly subsidiaries of the Consolidated steamship lines, organized by Charles W. Morse, and which collapsed in 1907.

While there appears to be no inter-ownership of stock between these two steamship consolidations, Mr. Conant adds, they have several directors in common indicating a considerable community of interest.

On the Great Lakes all the important through passenger and freight lines, it is declared, are owned by railroads. In the local package freight traffic there are a large number of independent water carriers. Several of the principal lake fleets handling ore, coal and lumber, it is said, are under the control of important industrial concerns, the largest being the Pittsburgh Steamship company, controlled by the United States Steel corporation.

On the Pacific coast, the commissioner found independent steamship lines forming an important factor in the coastwise trade, but said several water lines were under railroad control, including the interest of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific in the Pacific Mail and the San Francisco and Portland Steamship company. The Southern Pacific also controls a fleet of oil vessels, belonging to the Associated Oil Co., he adds.

Steamboat lines on the Mississippi a good square meal.

river, Mr. Conant says, have largely succumbed to railroad competition or natural difficulties. The great bulk of bituminous coal, the principal item of traffic today on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers is handled, he adds, by a single industrial line—the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Co., controlled by the Pittsburgh Coal company.

Railroads now control, continues Mr. Conant, about 90 per cent of the mileage of the few private canals still in operation.

"On the Erie canal, the most important artificial waterway in the country," says the commissioner, "the west-bound business has virtually passed under the control of railroads, while eastbound traffic has been largely diverted from the canal by the repeated reductions in rail rates, rate arrangements and railroad control of terminal facilities. These reductions in rail rates are, however, to a considerable extent attributable to canal competition."

The report deals chiefly with regular through passenger and freight steamship lines and takes no account of tramp steamers. It is the fourth installment as the result of the bureau of corporation's extensive investigation of corporate traffic, the three previous reports relating to water routes, volume of traffic and the control of terminals.

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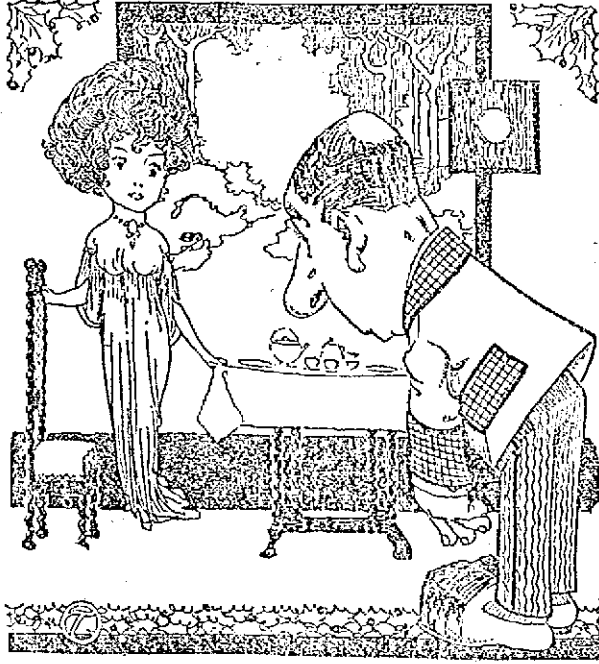
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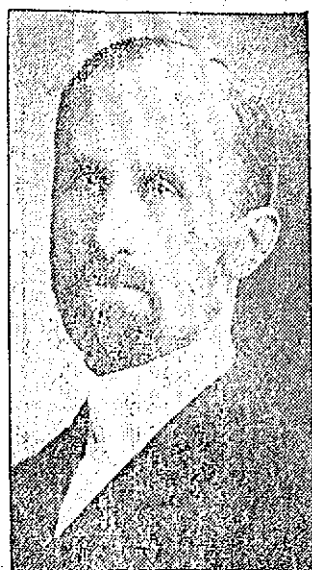
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FRANK D. HILL,  
Organist and Director of Cantata.

## Told in Song and Sermon—Special Christmas Services in the Protestant Churches

Christmas services were held in about all of the Protestant churches yesterday and the inspiring story of the nativity, old but ever new, was told in song and sermon. All of the churches were prettily and appropriately decorated. There were elaborate musical programs and large congregations were the order of the day.

**Calvary Baptist Church.** "The Story of Bethlehem," a Christmas cantata was sung at the Calvary Baptist church last night by a chorus of about twenty voices. A large audience was present and they were all fortunate enough to hear an unusually good program, as every selection was well rendered, the volume of melody in the various selections being admirable. The soloists and members of the chorus were as follows:

Soprano, Miss Martha Green, Miss Irene Smith, Mrs. Walter Colby, Miss Sarah Clement; alto, Miss Ruth Bowen, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Helen Stephens, Miss Gertrude Earle, Miss Stella Earle, Mrs. A. W. Plummer; tenor, Edward Dittis, Durbin Stiles; baritone, Walter Colby, Albert W. Plummer, and the members of the church choir: Mrs. D. H. Duncan, soprano; Mrs. H. R. Hanson, alto; Louis Masson, tenor; Joseph Heathcote, baritone; and Miss Gertrude Frisbee, a very well known soprano who was engaged specially for this occasion.

The following is the program of "The Story of Bethlehem": Part I. The Shepherds

Pastorale, Tenor solo and chorus, "There Were Shepherds"; Louis Masson, Bass recitative, "And Lo, the Angel of the Lord"; Walter Colby, Soprano solo, "Fear Not"; Miss Gertrude Frisbee, Tenor recitative, "And Suddenly," Louis Masson, Chorus, "Glory to God"; Bass recitative, "And It Came To Pass," Chorus, "Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem"; Alto recitative, "And They Came With haste"; Alto solo and Chorus, "Sleep Holy Babe"; Mrs. H. R. Hanson, Bass recitative, "And Thou Bethlehem," Joseph Heathcote, Chorus, "He Shall Be Great"; Part II. The Magi, Bass recitative, "Now When Jesus Was Born," Joseph Heathcote, Chorus of men, "Where Is He?"; Full chorus, "And Lo the Star"; Soprano solo, "Earth Has Many a Noble City"; Miss Gertrude Frisbee.

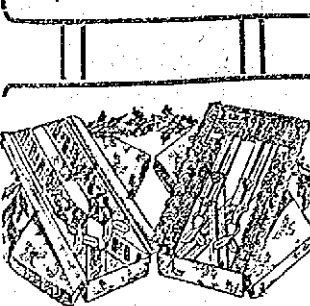
Finals, "Adeste Fideles." The work of the soloists was unusually good, every selection being given in a charming manner. The soprano solos by Miss Gertrude Frisbee were perhaps the most appreciated. Miss Frisbee has a splendid voice which possesses qualities seldom found in sopranos.

To Mr. Frank B. Hill the success of the cantata was largely due. Mr. Hill is the organist of the church and he has had entire charge of the preparation of the cantata.

A baptismal service followed the cantata and the pastor, Rev. A. H. Dukes, preached a very fine sermon, his subject being, "The Symbol and Significance of Baptism."

**Palmer Street Church.** Special Christmas services were held

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at the Paige Street church yesterday, both morning and evening. At the morning service, Rev. Benjamin R. Harris had for his sermon subject: "A Christmas Lesson," and there was a fine musical program furnished by the choir, assisted by Miss Mildred Brennan, violinist.

The evening service was the children's service, and the pulpit rail was lined with boxes of candy and oranges for the children of the Sunday school, these being distributed at the end of the service. The evening service was largely a musical service, the cantata, "The Hope of the World," by Schnecken, being given. There were also enjoyable violin solos by Miss Mildred Brennan and clarinet solos by H. F. McIntyre.

**Central Methodist.** The Christmas services at the Central Methodist church were held in the morning, the choir giving several Christmas anthems. Mrs. John Peacock also sang an enjoyable solo, "Christmas," by Harry Rowe Shelly. The postlude was Rossini's "Cul de Jambon."

**Trinitarian Church.** The morning and evening services at the First Trinitarian Congregational church, yesterday, were attended by large congregations.

At the morning service at 10.30, the acting pastor, Rev. Clarence B. Williams, Ph. D., spoke on "The Best Gift of All." The chorus and choir, directed by Mr. George F. Hamer, sang a specially arranged program, which included numbers from "The Star of Promise," by J. H. Hall. At 6 p. m. there was a young people's meeting, and at 7 o'clock the choral service. The theme by the pastor was "The Inn That Lost Its Chance," and again the choir gave an interesting program of Christmas music. The church was decorated with cut flowers, streamers of evergreen and touches of red. The pulpit was tastefully set with greenery and flowers.

**Gorham Street Methodist.** A Christmas cantata, "The Star of the East," was sung at the Gorham Street Methodist church, last evening, by a chorus choir of 30 voices, assisted by Messrs. Joseph E. Fielding, violinist, and Peter Watson, cornetist. Joseph Witnot directed the choir and the organist was J. Edward Leith. The pastor, Rev. Nathaniel W. Matthews, spoke of the Christmas season. In the morning the "Hallelujah" chorus from "The Messiah," was sung by the choir.

**St. Paul's M. E.** Rev. Dr. Birney, dean of Boston university, preached at both the morning and evening services at St. Paul's M. E. church, yesterday. The music by the chorus choir of the church, under the direction of Peter Dickson, was of a Christmas character. In the morning the organist, Charles V. Barker, played the celebrated "March of the Kings" by Theo. Dubois.

**Highland M. E.** The church was prettily and appropriately decorated. Large congregations attended the Christmas services at the Highland M. E. church. At the morning service, Rev. W. Henry McLean, the pastor, had for his subject, "The Woman and the Shadow." The program given by soloists and the church choir included: Soprano and alto duet, Miss Grace Hortensia Currier and Miss Bessie Porter; soprano solo, "The Christ Child," Miss Currier; tenor solo, "The New Born King," Mr. Edward Killpatrick; quartet selections, Miss Currier, Miss For-

ter, Mr. C. R. Thomas and Mr. Timmins.

The music was directed by Mr. C. R. Thomas, with Mr. James Hathwaite at the organ.

The evening service was for the children, and the music was under the direction of Miss Bessie Porter and Mrs. A. O. Knapp, with Miss Currier and Miss Grace Kendrick as the soloists, and an orchestra playing, composed of Howard Large, Miss Rena Knapp and Miss Marion Shelters. Rev. Mr. McLean addressed the children on "Why Was Jesus Crowded Out?"

**First Baptist Church.** Two magnificent musical programs were given at the First Baptist church yesterday at the morning and evening services.

The preacher of the day at the First Baptist church was Rev. Dr. G. R. Wells of Oberlin college. His morning topic was "The Song of Simeon," and in the evening he spoke on "Vision and Restraint." Both sermons were in the usual Christmas spirit and were given to very large congregations. The musical programs, morning and evening, were magnificent.

**First Congregational.** The decorations in the First Congregational church consisted of Christmas garlands wreathing the platform, pulpit and organ.

The morning sermon was in tune with the Christmas season, and there were special Christmas lessons in the Sunday school. The evening service at 8.30 was for the children of the Sunday school. The Christmas story was told in song, by the little ones, under the direction of Mrs. Charles Fogg, assisted by the adult chorus, Mr. B. Murphy directing. "The Shepherd's Story" was told by Miss Mildred McKnight, and a solo, "Song of Ages," was sung by Miss Lillian Powers, with violin obligato by Miss Fish.

**Kirk Street Church.** Green foliage and poinsettia blossoms decorated the platform in the Kirk Street church. There was a Christmas program of music at the morning service, and in the evening at 6.30 a Christmas praise service, with elaborate music. The quartet choir and organ were augmented by Boris (orchestra) of stringed instruments. Boris's anthem, "The First Christmas," was sung by the choir, the four parts comprising "The Annunciation," "The Message to the Shepherds," "Cradle Song of the Blessed Virgin," and "Gloria in Excelsis." The organ and orchestra played Handel's "Largo," Schumann's "Träumerei" and Verdi's march from "Aida."

**Worthington Street M. E.** Large congregations attended the services at the Worthington Street M. E. church yesterday. The auditorium was tastefully decorated with evergreen and Christmas trees, while the golden and its immediate surroundings were delightfully decorated with cut flowers and greenery. The music was appropriate for the occasion. At the morning service the pastor, Rev. William A. Wood, preached on "B. C. A. D. 1912, or the Difference Jesus Has Made."

**Grace Universalist.** Grace Universalist church was well filled at the Christmas service held Sunday morning. The church was prettily decorated with potted plants, evergreen and holly.

Rev. C. R. Skinner, the pastor, preached a sermon on "The Significance of the Christmas Spirit." The music, which was under the direction of Mr. George E. Burns, was appropriate to the day. Mr. Charlton, as cellist, played several numbers.

**First Unitarian.** In the First Unitarian church, masses of green, banded against the high pulpit, supported in the center a large cluster of the beautiful poinsettia blossoms. There was an elaborate Christmas musical program by the choir, Mrs. George H. Spalding, soprano, Mrs. Frederick Leach, contralto, Mr. Arthur T. Munn, tenor and director, Mr. Walter Bruce, bass, and Mr. A. F. French, organist. The sermon by the pastor, Rev. Charles T. Billings, was on "Our Need of Christ."

On account of the epidemic, the Christmas exercises of the Sunday school were given up, and the school will not resume its sessions until January 3.

**Centralville M. E. Church.** There were no special Christmas services at the Centralville M. E. church yesterday on account of their prohibition by the health board. The only difference in the services was the special singing and the concert which had been prepared for Christmas. At the morning services, at 10.30 o'clock, the sermon was "A Christmas Sermon," and the sermon at the evening services, at 8.30 o'clock, "The Mother of Jesus," by the pastor, Rev. J. T. Carlin.

**First Universalist.** The Christmas concert at the First Universalist church, last night, was very largely attended. Special music being given by the choir of the church, assisted by Miss Beatrice Marden, cellist, of Boston.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. C. E. Fisher, read the "Christmas Carol," by Dickens, giving the beautiful story of "Marley" and "Scrooge" and "Bob Cratchit" in a splendid manner.

Marden's numbers were of a character planned to emphasize the beauties of Dickens' story. They were Steiner's "Lullaby," the Meditation from "Thais," and Holman's "Andante."

At the morning service, Hans Borjes assisted the choir with violin obligatos in "The Christmas Message" and "Behold, There Came Wise Men."

**G. H. ECKERT A SUICIDE.** Formerly Exalted Ruler of Buffalo Lodge of Elks and Had Suffered Business Reverses

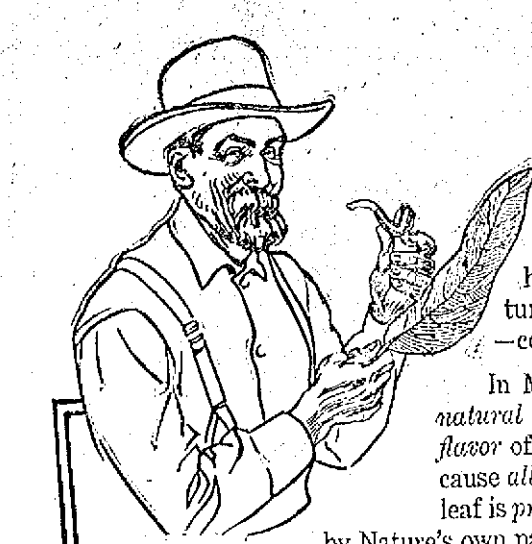
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Geo. H. Eckert, formerly exalted ruler of the Buffalo lodge of Elks, committed suicide yesterday afternoon in the Delaware hotel by attaching a tube from a gas jet to his mouth.

Eckert came here from Buffalo in March in search of employment after business reverses. He had been unsuccessful in finding steady work.

**SENDS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.** Mayor O'Donnell Sends Letter to the Superintendent of Police of This City

The following letter from the mayor to the superintendent of police is self-explanatory: December 23, 1912.

Mr. Redmond Welch, Superintendent of Police, Lowell, Mass.: Dear Sir—Your recent communication, relative to several important arrests made by members of the police department, has been received and due notice given the contents. After 11 months' experience at the head of the police department, I think I can state, without fear of contradiction, that the Lowell police force vies with any similar organization in New England for discipline, attention to duty, harmony and good results. The records show that the number of complaints against



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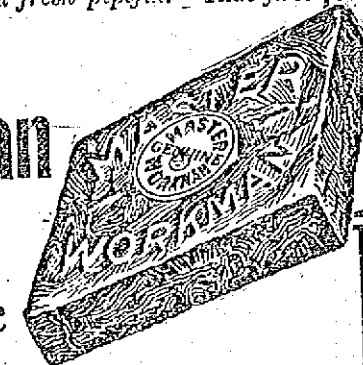
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## ELIMINATION OF NEGRO/CHINESE SLAVE GIRLS

As American Soldier to Four Found by Immigration Inspectors

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The proposal to eliminate the negro as an American soldier is stated for consideration when the conference of the ranking officers of the army is held here Jan. 8th. Some officers favoring the plan are prepared to urge it on the ground that in the Philippines the natives are said to resent the appearance among them of the black troops and that there are signs of dissatisfaction in Hawaii, owing to the fact that the 25th infantry, a negro organization, has been ordered to the islands to form a permanent garrison.

Friends of the negro soldiers are preparing to make a strenuous fight in their behalf, pointing to their splendid record in time of war in Cuba and in the Philippines.

All up for the dance, Associate, afternoon and evening, Kittredge.

**ARREST 14 IN A RAID.** Card Party Interrupted by Police

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Fourteen persons, giving their ages as ranging from 21 to 41 years, were gathered in for Sunday card playing by officers of the Hanover street station in three raids made yesterday-afternoon.

The first was made within the shadow of the station, at 232 Hanover street, and four gamblers were arrested. Four more were found at 14 Hanover avenue, just off Hanover street.

About the same time officers made an unheralded visit to a room at 352 North street and corralled a half-dozen, four for gaming and two for being present at the game. They also seized a quantity of liquor.

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**"Garments of Vengeance"**

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## Fruit For Christmas

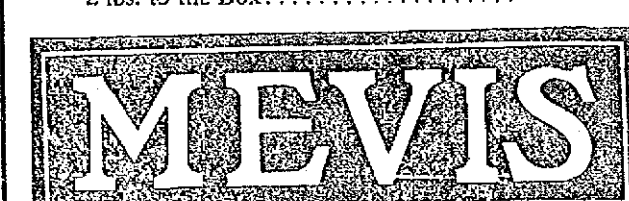
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13 ARE DEAD AND 15 INJURED

Theatre in Barraques, Belgium, Destroyed by Fire—Frightful Panic in Auditorium

MENIN, Belgium, Dec. 23.—Thirteen are dead and 15 seriously injured as a result of the fire which burned down a cinematograph theatre at Barraques, near here, last night. None of the audience was burned to death. The medical examination of the bodies today shows death in every case was due to the internal hemorrhage caused by pressure in attempting to escape.

THE MIDDLESEX NORTH INSTITUTE Important Address on "Renovating of Trees" Delivered by Prof. Sears of Amherst College

There was a large attendance at the first session of the season of the Middlesex North Institute, which was held today in the vestry of the Congregational church in Tewksbury Center. People came from all directions and will benefit greatly from the lecture which was given by Prof. P. C. Sears of Amherst Agricultural College.

The meeting was opened at 10:30 o'clock by President Howard W. Fox, who in a few appropriate remarks introduced the speaker. The speaker took for his text "Orchard Renovating," and he handled his subject in grand style, as he knows considerable about apple growing. His address was interrupted at times by interested listeners, who wished further particulars on certain statements.

Mr. Sears said he was a great believer in renovating old apple trees, and that he would sooner do this than plant new ones. He said pruning and spraying will do wonders. He told of buying some five years ago two acres of apple trees. On one was an orchard of 51 trees which had been systematically neglected, for they were all full of scales and dead wood. Some one said cut them down, for it will be better than to have them in a conspicuous place. However, I was interested in renovating and thought I would try my luck, and I did. Well, the first year I raised 45 barrels of apples in the lot and two years later the crop was 200 barrels which sold for about \$500. This made the neighbors take notice.

The following year was an odd one and the apples were somewhat scarce, but this year we started out by putting young fellows to work on spraying, the instructions given being not to leave two apples on one spur. A month later we sent them out again and told them if they found any two apples on one spur or any defective fruit to take them down. The cost was about \$200 for the year. I never saw a more handsome crop of apples, and all of them sold for \$2 per barrel, and the purchasers came back later for more. There was not a worm apple in the lot. The trees are now well shaped and looking fine.

Another orchard in the vicinity of the college which was noted for its inferiority of scale was leased. After working on it for three years the orchard is in fine condition and its production is amazing. It's got to be a pretty poor tree to have passed renovation.

The professor then related other similar experiences with abandoned orchards and said the way to tell scale is to examine the apples and if they are troubled with this disease little bright spots will show up. "The trouble, sometimes," said the speaker, "is that the tips of branches are killed in spraying, and accordingly the best way to go about it is to cut the tips."

To overcome the scale the professor advised to spray the trees in the fall with a soluble oil and later with lime and sulphur. The following year spray more thoroughly and cut the tips off. Before renovating, however, one must consider whether the tree is well rooted and sound and whether the pest in the locality is numerous. The speaker said renovating consisted of pruning and spraying and grafting. Pruning requires experience, for one must first get rid of the dead wood and then lower the top of the tree by cutting high tips. If the tree contains water sprouts, cut the main branches, but keep the sprouts to secure new growth. Grafting is a very simple operation, but it is always better to have grafters to do the work, for, according to the professor, few farmers are "grafters."

Another important factor in renovating is the scabbing of trees. By scraping the bark one can get rid of a lot of different pests, for by so doing one will remove pests which he cannot get with the sprayer. It is always well to paint over wounds, while the large wounds can be taken care of with the use of tar. Some, however, will paint the centre of the wound and tar the outside. The speaker also advised cultivation of orchards, but does not favor the use of manure around the trees. Relative to the San Jose scale, which is very destructive in this part of the country, the professor said to destroy them in the quickest time possible and for this he advised the use of lime and sulphur, which will kill rust, the apple scab, and the scale. The speaker closed his remarks by giving satisfactory answers to many of his listeners. He then went to an orchard near the church and gave a fine demonstration of pruning and grafting trees.

At 12:15 o'clock a rainy luncheon was served by the women of the Tewksbury grange and in the afternoon Prof. Sears gave a very interesting demonstration of apple packing.

SCHOONER TILTON SAFE APOLGY OF SERVIC

But Captain and Five of Pleases Austria-Hungary Crew Missing Delegates

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—With the fate of the captain and the five members of the Tilton, the schooner, Henry R. Tilton, a mystery, the abandoned and waterlogged vessel arrived off Cape Cod today in tow of the steam trawler Swell, which picked up the derelict yesterday 15 miles southeast of Highland Light.

Although there was a stiff head on breeze blowing off the Cape today it was expected that the Swell would land her prize in this harbor and that her crew of 12 men would share in one of the biggest Christmas presents through salvage money that has been divided among fishermen for several seasons.

It was thought that the crew of the Tilton may have been rescued by some passing vessel, as her boat was gone. The capture of the Tilton was reported by the steam trawler Spray, which passed the Swell yesterday afternoon. The Tilton had lost all her sails, her deckload of lumber was shifted forward, her stern was smashed and in her waterlogged condition the seas were sweeping her decks.

When the fishermen on the Swell sighted the schooner, they realized that there was a chance of towing the derelict into port. A dory with a light heaving line was sent aboard and one of the biggest hawsers on the trawler was made fast to the foremast.

The Swell and her tow were 10 miles from Highland light when sighted by the Spray. During the night the Northwester picked up 49 miles an hour and towing proved slow work.

LAVELLE HELD IN \$1000

Lawrence Man Charged With Attempt to Kill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Governor Wilson said with the board of pardons today and heard the applications of 75 convicts for pardons. In order that those entitled to their freedom might have their liberty before Christmas, the governor directed that the meeting of the board be held today instead of in January.

It is an unpleasant duty that compels us to refuse many pardons; it is one that tends the heartstrings," said the governor.

He expects to spend the day with the board. More than 200 convicts applied for pardons, but the cases of only 70 were recommended for a hearing.

Supreme Court Adjourned

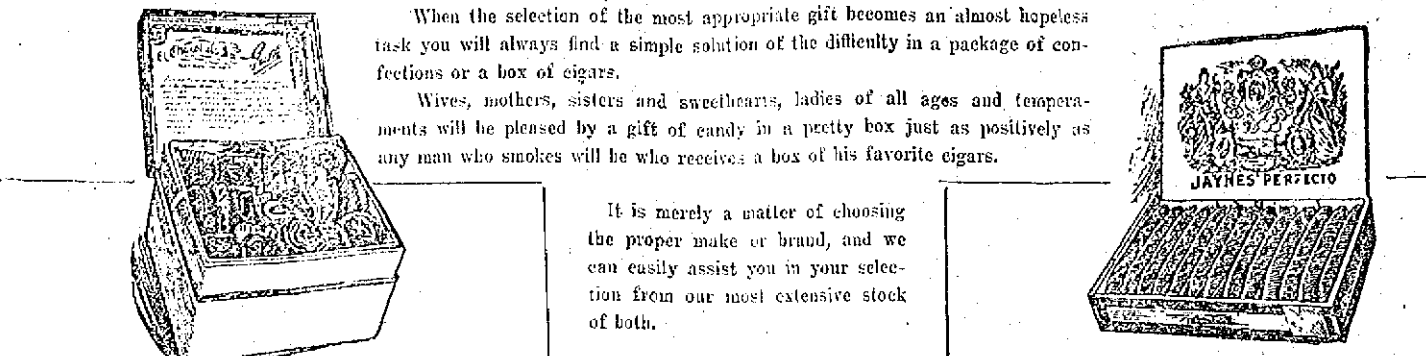
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CANDIES AND CIGARS FOR X'MAS AT RIKER-JAYNES



When the selection of the most appropriate gift becomes an almost hopeless task you will always find a simple solution of the difficulty in a package of confections or a box of cigars.

Wives, mothers, sisters and sweethearts, ladies of all ages and temperaments will be pleased by a gift of candy in a pretty box just as positively as any man who smokes will be who receives a box of his favorite cigars.

- Chocolates Au Guth  
Guth Chocolates and Bon Bons are the finest creations known to the confectionery art. They have endeared themselves to the discriminating through the exquisite blending of choicest flavors and superlative chocolate coatings.
- Excello Sweets  
Assorted Chocolates
- A Few Last Minute Suggestions
- Genuine \$5.00 Sargent Humidor \$2.00
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- Special Christmas Chocolates
- A package designed for the whole family, contains 3 lbs. of excellent assortment of chocolates, equal to any selling at 50c a pound in purity, assortment and quality of chocolate. We consider this one of our best values.
- Riker's Perfect Chocolates
- In style of package and quality a 50c box of candy. It is our leader at
- 39c Pound
- Candy Watches 10c
- Guth  
Maraschino Cherries
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- From 60c Up
- New England Made Cigars
- In boxes of 25, 50 and 100. At wholesale prices.
- Popular Domestic Brands—Including Quincey, Blackstone, 7-20-4, Elcho, Harvard, M. C. A., C. C. A., Marguerite, etc.
- Box of 25 .....\$1.57  
Box of 50 .....\$3.13  
Box of 100 .....\$6.25
- 50c Pipe Combination 29c
- 1 of our Best Pipes of Genuine French Briar, which in any other store would sell at 36c. 1 tin of any of the popular 10c smoking tobaccos, your choice. 1 package Pipe Cleaners.
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- We also have a Genuine Calabash Pipe with Meerschaum Bowl .....47c
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- The popular brands. Some in jars, others in tins, at
- 40c 1/2 Pound
- 75c Pound
- Including—Velvet, Edgeworth, Lucky Strike, Prince Albert, Dill's, English Curve Cut, etc.
- Our Own Brands
- We mention here only a few of the most popular. In boxes of 12, 25, 50.
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- Box of 12 .....72c  
Box of 25 .....\$1.50  
Box of 50 .....\$3.00
- Jaynes' Conchas
- Box of 25 .....\$1.57  
Box of 50 .....\$3.13
- R. J. Special
- Box of 25 .....\$1.50
- Umina Conchas
- Box of 12 .....\$1.00
- Umina Pearls
- Box of 12 .....75c  
Six-O-One
- Box of 12 .....40c  
Box of 25 .....\$1.25  
Box of 50 .....\$2.50
- Cigarettes
- In boxes of 50 and 100 at wholesale prices.
- Melachino No. 9
- 50s.....55c 100s.....\$1.10
- Royal Nestors, Naturals, Makaroff No. 15
- 50s.....55c 100s.....\$1.10
- Rameses 2nd
- 50s.....90c 100s.....\$1.75
- Philip Morris or Egyptian Delights
- 50s.....85c 100s.....\$1.70
- Pall Mall
- 50s.....90c 100s.....\$1.80
- Mogul, Murads or Luxurys
- 50s.....60c 100s.....\$1.20
- Menashi, 50s .....55c

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Not Pensioners in Kansas Cavalry

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 23.—That not a member of the Ninth Kansas Cavalry, one of the state's most active regiments in the civil war, is drawing a pension developed yesterday on receipt of a letter by state officials from H. B. Lapham of Lorton, Va., a member of the regiment. Lapham wrote that when he applied for a pension recently he was notified by the pension officials that no other member of the regiment had ever drawn a pension; that he was the first to make application and that he would have to induce five other members to apply before the consideration of granting pensions could be taken up.

Information regarding surviving members of the regiment is being sought by Lapham.

Reprimanded For Marrying Elopers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Major General Murray, commanding the western division of the army, has forwarded to the war department a copy of a reprimand administered by General Maus, commanding the department of the Columbia to Chaplain James Osseward of the 21st Infantry on duty at Vancouver barracks. The chaplain recently married an eloping couple who applied to him after a flight from their homes in a neighboring city and his participation in the marriage led to an official remark that he was "lacking in judgment."

It was admitted at the department, however, that the question at issue is probably outside the jurisdiction of the military authorities.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Little Ones of First Street Day Nursery and Their Mothers Enjoy Entertainment

With the exception of the Christmas trees for the children, which was prohibited by order of the board of health, the annual Yuletide exercises of the First Street Day Nursery were held on Saturday afternoon. The mothers of the little ones gathered at the nursery and the entertainment opened about 3 o'clock. The program included recitations and songs, and at the conclusion refreshments were served to the guests. The affair was in charge of Miss Flora Brown, matron; Miss Marie Egan, nurse, girl, and Miss Margaret Egan, nurse, girl, and Miss Margaret Egan, nurse, girl.

Caught Under Wheels

NASHUA, Dec. 23.—George Woodman, a brakeman on a mixed train on the Boston & Maine railroad running between Rochester, N. H., and this city was run over about 10 o'clock last night at Epping Junction and died of his injuries a short time afterward.

The circumstances are not known, but it is supposed Woodman slipped in getting off the train and fell under the wheels. Other trainmen heard his groans and found him lying on the track. His legs had been run over.

Liner Carib on Way to Port

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 23.—The Clyde liner Carib from Georgetown for New York, which went ashore Saturday morning inside Cape Fear, is now on her way to this port under her own steam. She was floated at high tide yesterday by the revenue cutter Seminole, apparently only slightly damaged.

Eggs Sold in 60 Stations

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The campaign to force a reduction in prices has resulted in stores in all parts of Greater Boston selling storage eggs for 24 cents and fancy eggs for 30 cents a dozen. Nearly 200,000 eggs have been sold at 24 cents a dozen at 60 stations opened by the Housekeepers' league.



# Miss Mary Bartelme is to Serve as Judge of Chicago Juvenile Court



MISS MARY BARTELMÉ

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Miss Mary M. Bartelme, for 15 years public guardian of Cook county, Ill., is Chicago's first woman judge. Miss Bartelme was the choice of the judges of the circuit court, which considered several other women lawyers for the position. She will assist Judge Pincney in the juvenile court and will direct most of her attention to girls who come under the court's jurisdiction. In her position as public guardian thousands of young women have come under her attention, and she is known to them as "Mother Bartelme." "My idea of being a judge," said Miss Bartelme, "is not so much to pass judgment as to assist unfortunate."

## TAX ON CEMETERIES

### Owners Up in Arms Over Assessors' Action

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Owners of private cemeteries in the city and also the owners of Mt. Auburn cemetery, in Cambridge, and Woodlawn, in Everett, are up in arms over the action

of the assessors of the city of Boston in levying taxes on the personal property owned by these private corporations. The assessors will be announced in the annual December warrant to be issued by the assessors during this week.

It has been learned that, acting on a decision made by the supreme court of the state on the day before Thanksgiving, the assessors have been enabled to add to the total valuation more than \$3,500,000 in personal property owned by private cemeteries. The taxes on this property will add about \$50,000 to the city's treasury.

The ruling on which the assessors base their action was handed down at Worcester on Nov. 27. The town of

Worcester appeared from a decision of the county commissioners of Worcester county that the Pine Grove cemetery, a privately owned corporation in the town, is exempted from all taxation. The town contended that the exemption did not extend to personal property, and the supreme court in a long decision upheld this contention.

When that decision was made the Boston assessors had almost completed their work for the December warrant. This is made each year supplementary to the August warrant, and contains the assessments on personal property of which the assessors had no knowledge when the first warrant was made. Despite the late date at which the fact came to light, the assessors set to work and soon ferreted out the personal property owned by the cemeteries.

Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn were probably the hardest hit, for though both are outside the city limits, they are Boston corporations and the business headquarters of each is located in this city. It is said that about \$1,500,000 of personal property from each of these cemeteries was added to the warrant. This is composed for the most part of money held for perpetual care of graves, permanent funds of the corporation and stocks and bonds held by the trustees for investment to increase the cemetery's revenue.

The personal property of Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn represented most of the additional taxable property found by the assessors, for the aggregate personal property of the other private cemeteries amounted to only half a million dollars. The Protestant cemeteries and the many Jewish cemeteries throughout the city made up the most of this, for the Catholic cemeteries, while privately owned, were not greatly affected. Except for a small amount of money held by each cemetery separately for perpetual care funds, all of the property of the Catholic cemeteries is either in the name of a church or the cardinal and is thus exempt from taxation.

Besides Mt. Auburn and Woodlawn, the only large Protestant cemeteries in Boston that are privately owned are Forest Hills and Cedar Grove. The larger Catholic cemeteries are Calvary, Mt. Benedict and St. Joseph's. The Jewish cemeteries are scattered all over the city.

The Boy Scouts of Lowell and the Scouts of Andover had an outing today on Prospect Hill, which is on the Gen. Adelbert Ames estate in Tewksbury, and it was very kindly placed at their disposal for the day by Gen. Ames. The Lowell boys left the square at 9 o'clock this morning on the Andover street car and rode to the end of the line and from there tramped to Prospect Hill. The scouts were accompanied by Rev. J. T. Carlow, Rev. F. A. Macdonald and Mr. T. R. Williams. The Andover scouts met the Lowell division at the top of Prospect Hill and the local boys were very agreeably surprised to find Rev. E. Victor Bigelow with the Andover boys. Rev. Mr. Bigelow took an active part in all of the scout activities while here in the city. A fine dinner was prepared for the boys and signal drills and other things included in the boy scout code were carried through. At about 1 o'clock they started for home and arrived in the square at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

## PRESENTED LOVING CUP

### The Clerks of Chalifoux's Honor Manager

Christmas shoppers hurrying up Central street Saturday night were startled by the sound of a mighty cheer from the store of the J. L. Chalifoux Co., and the people on the street paused to wonder what they had witnessed. An informal yet highly enthusiastic reception taking place in the center of the main floor, where the clerks of the establishment presented their manager, Mr. William Chalifoux, a beautiful loving cup, suitably inscribed, as a token of the high esteem in which they hold him.

During the day word was passed around among the clerks to assemble at the end of the day's work at a certain place on the main floor and shortly after ten o'clock all were there including even Mr. Chalifoux himself, though totally unaware of what was in store for him. Mr. Louis Cole, without further ceremony stepped forward and after a short address in which he referred to the many pleasant associations which the clerks had with their manager of many years, presented him the loving cup. Needless to say, the popular manager of Chalifoux's store was "taken off his feet" with surprise and it was several minutes before he could speak. Then as he struggled to give expression to his thoughts, and thanked the clerks for their gift, the latter cheered loudly.

Mr. Chalifoux said that he would prize the cup for its intrinsic value, but motives of friendship and love that actuated its giving.

Lowell Social & Athletic Club

Joe Thomas of Lowell vs. Bill McKinnon of Boston, 12 rounds. Gardiner Brooks vs. Young Clark, 10 rounds. Kid Hamilton vs. Johnny Murphy, 10 rounds. Young Brennan, from the Flats vs. Billy Dally of the Acre.

Mathew Hall, Friday Eve., Dec. 27

## THE PLAYHOUSE

### This Week THE DRAMA PLAYERS

## "The Climbers"

A Farceful Comedy by Clyde Fitch

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## ONE FATALLY INJURED

### Another Dying as Result of Serious Accident

CLINTON, Dec. 22.—Gordon Saunders, aged 23, son of Mrs. John R. Saunders of 19 Cottage street, Leominster, died at Clinton hospital yesterday from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Main street Saturday night.

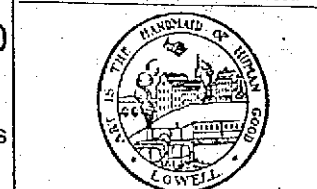
Ernest E. Edgerly, who is suffering from burns received soon after the accident, has a slight chance for life, in the opinion of Dr. George L. Tohey.

From the first the hospital staff had no hopes for Saunders' recovery. The shock to his system, due to the breaking of both legs above the knees, a broken nose and fracture of the skull, was such that he could not rally. Young Saunders was employed by the Union Comb Manufacturing company of Leominster, in which company Edgerly is a large owner of stock. Saunders' parents were notified of his condition late Saturday night and arrived at the hospital before his death. The body was taken to his home in Leominster.

Edgerly was conscious yesterday. That he is even alive is a cause for wonder among the doctors. Following the accident, he crawled to another auto and lighted a match, which ignited his gasoline-soaked flannel, and he was terribly burned before the flames were subdued. Edgerly was visited at the hospital by his mother. It will probably be a week or more before the outcome of his injuries can be definitely determined.

## MEN'S PRESENTS

Cigars are always acceptable and appropriate as gifts for men. Good standard, everyday cigars in boxes of 12, 25 or more, at 35c up. Preferred Stock, Pippin, Ecstasy, Cremo, Blackstone, 7-20-4, Phila. Rosa, San Marino, Mi Favorita and Halston are a few of the kinds we handle. Howard, the druggist, 197 Central street.



## OFFICE OF PURCHASING AGENT

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, until 11 a. m., Thursday, December 26, 1912, for furnishing the following supplies:

Req. 55,805, Fire Dept.

2500 ft. 2 1/2 in. Fire Hose, according to specifications at the office of the Purchasing Agent.

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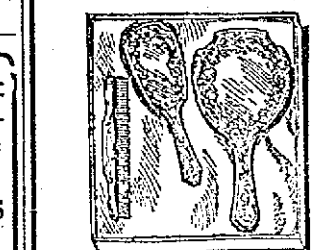
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Lowell, Mass., Dec. 21, 1912.



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## CATHOLIC PARISH NEWS

### Elaborate Xmas Preparations Made

#### FR. KELEHER AT FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC SOCIETIES

Religious and Social Events of the Churches and Societies—St. Columba's Parish Reunion

Rev. John P. Burns celebrated the parish mass at St. Peter's church yesterday morning, and Rev. W. George Mullin, the preacher, selected the text of his discourse from the Sunday's gospel.

Announcement was made of the fact that the masses on Christmas day will be celebrated at the same hours as the Sunday services, namely, 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.15, 10 and 11 o'clock, the latter being a solemn high mass with a special musical program by the regular choir and the vested choir. In accordance with a time honored custom, the 6 o'clock mass will be a high mass.

The regular choir has been rehearsing the mass of St. Philip Neri, an admirable composition and the work of the singers up to this time indicates that it will be superbly interpreted on Christmas day.

Rev. D. J. Keleher, pastor of St. Peter's church, attended the quarterly convention of the Federation of Catholic societies, which was held in a large hall in the basement of the Boston Cathedral Sunday afternoon, and he spoke briefly, complimenting the federation on its noble work and pledging the support of his parishioners to its continued advancement. At the election of the officers, Mr. James O'Sullivan of Lowell was chosen as one of the vice presidents.

There were 90 delegates present, representing societies and parish organizations whose combined membership at present aggregates more than 140,000. Charles T. Daly of West Medford presided, and Rev. Michael J. Scanlon, diocesan director of Catholic Charities, gave an interesting talk on "The Work of the Catholic Charitable Bureau."

Rev. John J. Starr, a former St. Peter's parish boy, now assistant to Rev. N. J. Murphy of Peabody, has entered upon his new duties. He will officiate as subdeacon at the solemn high mass in the Peabody Catholic church on Christmas day.

#### St. Patrick's Alumni

The committee in charge of the arrangements of the St. Patrick's Alumni banquet held a meeting yesterday and discussed plans for the event. Mr. John J. Sullivan presided and reports were read by Mr. James F. Hennessy, chairman of the committee on catering; Dr. Michael A. Ryan, of the speakers' committee and others. Speeches were heard from Dr. Tighe, Mr. Hennessy, John F. Golden and Michael E. Adams.

#### St. Columba's

Rev. John Degan was the celebrant of the masses at St. Columba's church in Pawtucketville yesterday morning, and at each service he delivered a brief but convincing sermon on a subject taken from the gospel of the day.

Among the announcements it was said that there will be three masses on Christmas day. Instead of two as on Sundays, and these masses will be celebrated at 7, 8.30 and 10 o'clock in the morning. At the high mass at half past ten, one of the Oblate Fathers will deliver a Christmas sermon.

Fr. Degan also announced the names of the various committees which have been appointed to take charge of the parish reunion, which is to be held in Associate hall on Tuesday, Jan. 21. There will be a joint meeting of these committees on Friday evening, Dec. 27, at 8 o'clock in the church, to complete the arrangements for the event. The regular weekly choir practice, which have taken place at the rectory of the church on Thursday evening will be omitted this week and the next social will be enjoyed on Thursday, Jan. 2, and will be under the auspices of the Tabernacle society.

#### Sacred Heart Church

The high mass at the church of the Sacred Heart Sunday was celebrated by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I., and the sermon of the day was delivered by Rev. J. T. McDermott, O. M. I. It was announced that there will be a meeting of the Sodality of the Children of Mary on Tuesday evening in the church, starting at half past seven. The choir which was so successful in its sacred concert a short time ago has prepared an excellent program of Christmas music for the services on Wednesday.

#### St. Michael's

Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor of St. Michael's church, celebrated the 10.45 high mass there yesterday and Rev. Francis J. Mullin preached on the gospel of the day.

The arrangements for the Christmas musical program have been completed and the Children of Mary choir will sing at the early masses.

#### Immaculate Conception Church

Rev. Jerome Racette, O. M. I., of Tewksbury was a guest at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday and celebrated the parish high mass. Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., preached the sermon of the day. In the afternoon there was a meeting of the Children of Mary in Y. M. C. I. hall. The Junior branch of the Holy Name society received holy communion in a body at the early mass.

#### Larceny of Lenses

Supt. Welch of the police department has received word that the police of Machias, Me., have a man in custody charged with the larceny of photographer's lenses. An effort will be made to contact the man under arrest with the larceny of lenses in this city. On Nov. 2 a neat appearing and slick looking man visited the studios of Messrs. Hayden, Powell and McDermott and stole valuable lenses from each place.

#### Y. M. C. A. News

A physical department has been formed at the Y. M. C. A. and all applying for membership will be examined as to their physical condition. A meeting of the committee of the department was held Friday to formulate the rules of the department. Dr. G. M. Randall was appointed the chairman of the committee and he is to appoint physicians to examine all of the members of the association. The following is the list of the members of the committee: Dr. G. M. Randall, chairman; John A. Daly, Walter H. Hoyt, Walter Mussey, William Wilson, Dr. Tarnel, William T. Sheppard, A. J. Wickes and Leon Morrison.

A meeting of the directors of the association is to be held at 7.30 tonight to transact whatever business may be brought before the meeting. It is planned to hold an aquatic meet with the Lawrence and Haverhill Y. M. C. A.'s Jan. 24.

A meeting was held a short time ago to decide as to the regulation suit that will be worn on the floor. The suit will consist of white running trunks and white solid sneakers for



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the boys and long gray trousers with a blue stripe for the business men. The chairman have been appointed: W. L. for the different committees and they are as follows: William T. Sheppard, business men; John W. Daly, athletic and aquatic; William Wilson, basketball; Leon Morrison, bowling; W. L. Muzzey, leader's corps; Dr. G. M. Randall, medical staff.

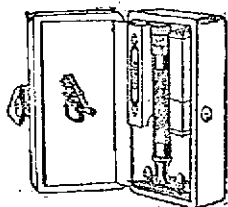
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## RAILROAD COMPETITION

The recent decision of the United States supreme court in the Union Pacific case is based upon the assumption of the Sherman anti-trust act that competition must be maintained in the railroad business. Opposed to this view are some of the most clear-headed and progressive men of the country, who hold that the transportation business from its very nature is monopolistic, and that the greater the consolidation of the systems, the better and cheaper should be the service rendered the public.

The idea is gaining ground that it is a mistake to prevent reasonable consolidation of systems, and that government supervision should be so exercised that all the evils usually resulting from monopoly and united control should be completely eliminated. If the government should fix the rates, prevent extravagance, and insist upon efficient service, then consolidation might be made beneficial rather than otherwise.

The government, however, has not learned to exercise such control over railroads, but in the amendment of the Sherman act, this view of the situation will doubtless have to be considered, if not conceded.

In the case of the New Haven road's agreement with the Grand Trunk, the public has nothing to fear if the government would exercise its authority to prevent abuses.

President Mellen in spite of all the attacks by Louis Brandeis, Norman White and other professional agitators, maintains that what he has in view is the development of the New England railroad system for the benefit of New England. He admits, as needs be must, that the government can prevent all the evils anticipated as likely to result from the union of the two roads for the business between New England and Canada. In the long run it may be conceded that Mellen is right and that there is no reason to fear the result of his deal with the Grand Trunk, provided the government uses its authority to insist upon efficient service and reasonable rates.

The question is not yet solved, and will not be until it is clearly determined whether several competing railroads, all struggling for existence, are better for the people than one first class system under strict government regulation, bound to give first class service at the lowest possible rates.

In countries which own the railroads within their boundaries the government policy always favors just such consolidations as President Mellen has been trying to make, because in these cases nothing is to be feared from the strength of the road either as to the monopolistic feature or any other. The same would be true if the government in this country, without owning the roads, exercised strict supervision over its operations.

The problem then resolves itself to this: Can the highest efficiency be attained in railroading while maintaining open competition which in other lines of business is the natural order of things?

Some men who have studied the problem say this is not practicable and for this reason they favor government ownership of railroads. Government ownership in this country is not feasible, and hence we must have open competition, or otherwise face consolidation under strict government supervision. Government control as exercised at the present time is of very little use, and to have it is a complete change in this respect is absolutely necessary so that the people may be fully protected from the far-reaching evils resulting from the monopoly of the channels of transportation which may be used to cripple production at any time or place, and thus to blight the prospects of the entire nation.

## ANOTHER GOLD BRICK SWINDLE

Postoffice inspectors in New York have gathered in seven of the directors and officers of the Sterling Debutene corporation on the charge of using the mails for the purpose of carrying on a gold brick business.

Many persons in this city will remember having seen circulars getting forth the glowing opportunities to make money by investing in the stock of the Oxford Mills at Brookfield, Mass., offered by this Debutene company.

These circulars represented that the Oxford Mills had a special method of making linen in a very short time, from American grown flax, and that the flax could be turned out at such small expense that the profit made upon it would be enormous. It is alleged that the company has already sold \$250,000 worth of stock in this enterprise.

Several newspapers discussed the fraudulent offer to investors and expressed considerable doubt as to the genuineness of the offer. Their warning, it appears, was wasted upon the people, who are always ready to part with their money when some great opportunity of this kind is offered. It appears from the investigation made by the postoffice inspectors that the whole scheme is a hoax designed to lure investors who wish to double their money in a very short time.

The Oxford Mills are at present captioned for liquidation. The corporation was originally established in Maine by a Frenchman named Charles, who had a partner named Charles. They had a capital stock of \$2,000,000 and began to sell the stock by

mail. The Debutene company soon took hold of the business with the result that a vast stock selling project was inaugurated and a large portion of the stock sold at par.

This is but a single example of how people are swindled by various stock selling companies. We are not sure whether the people of Lowell escaped this swindle, as they have usually suffered heavily in every large swindle of this kind. It appears that we have many easy marks here in Lowell when any outside gold-brick is offered; but they seldom are inclined to invest their money in local enterprises where they would be guaranteed at least a small profit. In some of them put more faith in local industries and decided to help them alone, they would have better success and they would be sure at least of getting some return upon investments and in any event of getting their money back.

## TO DISCIPLINE MEXICO

It appears that the defiant tone of Mexico's reply to Secretary Knox has aroused the authorities at Washington and in a short time Mexico will be notified that she shall henceforth be obliged to protect American citizens within her borders or else pay the penalty. For some time past American citizens near the Mexican border have suffered serious damage while a number have been killed by Mexican bullets fired across the border. The United States government is going to insist that no further recklessness shall be tolerated along the border, and that in future a more exacting policy will be adopted in dealing with Mexican marauders.

After helping William O'Brien to throw every obstacle in the path of the home rule bill, Timothy Healy comes out as the bill was ready to leave the commonsense to catch on to the nationalist band wagon with a speech which was but a reiteration of the assurances so often asserted to by Mr. Redmond in regard to guarantees against discrimination or injustice against the Protestant minority. In every corner of Ireland the majority shows nothing but good will towards the minority, and it was not at all necessary for Mr. Healy to give any further assurance of the fact. It had been repeatedly stated by more representative men, including Mr. Redmond, himself.

Is it not time for some of our philanthropic women to open a station for the sale of 25-cent eggs? We have stores at present selling 25-cent eggs, but of third rate quality, which means that they can be used only for cooking, for custard pie or cake wherein their peculiar flavor is disguised by condiments and confusions agreeable not only to the palate but also to the olfactory nerves, and, therefore, likely to conceal the odors of ill preserved eggs.

The belief has widely prevailed that it is the most difficult thing imaginable to separate the wealthy from any large amount of their money; but this belief must be modified in view of the millions scooped in by the Sterling Debutene company, and the fortunes so easily made by the De Luxe book agents. It all depends upon the offers made and the plausible arguments by which they are supported.

Turkey is playing for delay in the peace parley, but she will not be able to carry any of her wily schemes in the conference now sitting in London. The delegates of the other powers are all far too familiar with her unprincipled policy and her scheming diplomacy to be bluffed in this case.

Of course those who have been swindled will look upon the honest business proposition with distrust just as the burned child dreads fire.

## Seen and Heard

If anybody gives you out glass for Christmas this year, don't study it to make sure that it is real.

Perhaps even more people would do their shopping at the five-cent stores if they could get things charged.

Good wine needs no bush, and the pretty girl needs no mischievous.

It is a cruel thing to study botany, of course, but it is possible to admire the beauty of a butterfly without knowing its scientific name.

It never really phases a woman to be called upon to settle a dispute about something that happened thirty years ago.

Don't shake down the furnace, shake down the ashes.

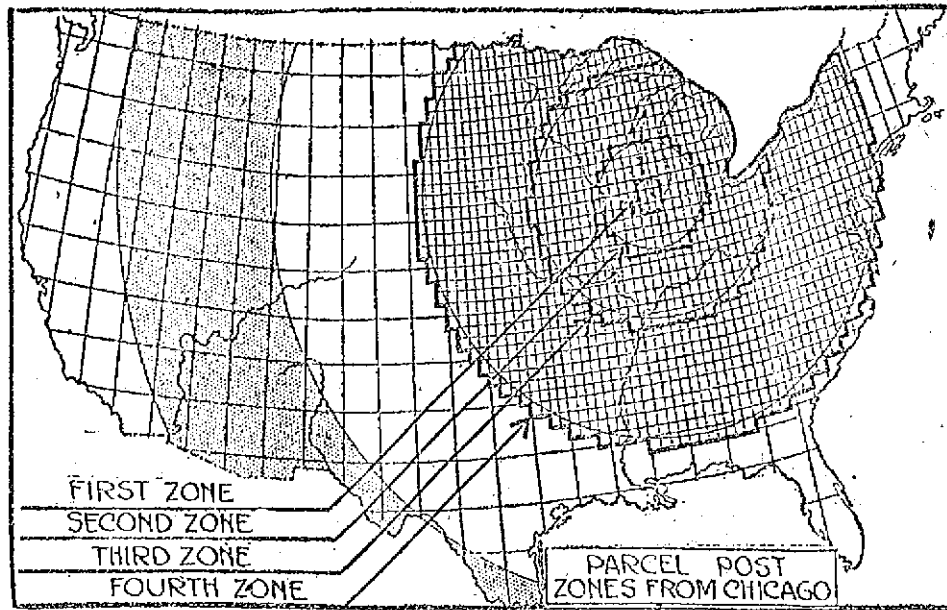
When a young man has a position important enough for him to have a private office, it may be only that his father is rich.

A man's idea of a bargain is not a free face paint, given to the purchaser of a dollar's worth of toilet goods.

On Christmas day, I feel it in my bones. I will be compelled to smoke several cigars that make Yuletide a scene of dread to the warm smoker. Ever since that first Christmas when I shared my turkey with another member of the human family I have felt it incumbent upon me to fight one of these concoctions of the East and to draw away at it with the same sense of satisfaction as would be made manifest by me were I puffing a fragrant leaf-stuff to overspread my swilling visage with the most hypocritical of superficial smiles and to bid adieu to my better half.

Merely, these days, your thoughtful gifts are more important than the myth which the Indians offered to their loved ones. They are certain I will not buy the "cigar" and while contemplating this with myself I will be thinking through the list of acquaintances who have rung me in

## Typical Map Showing How Rates Will be Figured For the Parcel Post System After 1st of January



This map, made with Chicago as a base, shows how the zone system will be used in arranging rates for the parcel post service which will be inaugurated Jan. 1.

Establishing zones by drawing circles of different diameters, with each postoffice as a center, would mean an impracticable amount of figuring. Instead of using townships and counties as units or starting points it was decided to divide the whole country into blocks or units, each block being half a degree in latitude in north-south extension and half a degree of longitude east and west. There are 3600 of these units in the country.

one way or another during the past year and will be anticipating the pleasure that will be mine, when I say to them: "Here, Joe, or Dan, or Sully, or Elst or Don, have a smoke on me. These are a new brand and, believe me, the choicest to be found." (Note that word "found.") Then, in part, with my grievances against them find some redress.

A box of Christmas cigars is the bane of all dyed-in-the-wool worshippers at the shrine of my Lady Nicotine. Yet, if the smoker is of an aesthetic temperament, if he is a lover of the beautiful in all its forms, some consolation may be had by gazing at the attractive picture-cover of the box. This is always a work of lithographic art. Naturally it should be: it costs the manufacturer far more than the cigars. Were it reproduced on canvas, placed in an elaborate frame and hung in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts it could not be purchased for love nor money. It would be treasured with as jealous care as a Correggio or a Van Dyke or a Rembrandt.

But the cigars? Whew! How I dread them! Two smoked successively, I am certain, will transport my spirit to another world. However, it has been said that all things have a purpose, that they are useful to the human race in at least one way. And I have hit upon a plan—hopeless though it seems—of benefiting mankind through the medium of these Christmas cigars. According to the newspapers of a few days ago, rats and other pests can now be instantaneously suffocated by one inhalation of the fumes arising from a drug recently compounded by two governmental scientists. Why all this unnecessary research by these gentlemen? Let the hallowed hunches of a Christ-mas man prevail, while a little of its fumes into all rattlers, and I'll guarantee that she will never need to depend

on the new drug to rid her house of its undesirable inhabitants. Patted though as the fumes are to rats, I still have hopes that I will survive next Wednesday. My constitution is fairly strong. And I will be brave. Indeed, I have taken a resolution to finish my Christmas dinner with one of these cigars anyway; if I give up the ghost, and my dinner. But every time the thought of them enters my mind I seem to feel their nauseating smell hovering about my nose. Yet, with every imaginary whiff, I take a childish delight in praying that the manufacturer who coils money on these abominable "gifts," that the drummer who distributes them, and that the clerk who sells them, each and all will be forced to smoke to the very butt, an entire boxful of their vile wares.

An example of how to get the first zone is as follows: Find the centre of the unit in which your postoffice is located. Draw a circle of 50 miles radius around that centre. Every unit which lies wholly within that circle or more than half of which is within that circle is included in the first zone from any postoffice, and the postage rate is 5 cents for the first pound and 2 cents for each additional pound.

The second zone is determined by drawing with the same centre a circle of 150 miles radius. Every unit which lies within it, but outside of the first

zone, is in the second zone, and the rate is 6 cents for the first pound and 4 cents for each additional pound.

The method by which the second zone is determined is used for all other zones, their radii and rate of postage respectively being as follows: Third zone, 350 miles, 7 cents, 5 cents; fourth zone, 450 miles, 8 cents, 6 cents; fifth zone, 550 miles, 9 cents, 7 cents; sixth zone, 650 miles, 10 cents, 8 cents; seventh zone, 750 miles, 11 cents, 10 cents; eighth zone and all territory farther away, including the Philippines and island possessions, 12 cents flat.

some hope of final redemption, but apparently it is not."

The taxpayers should not be helpless, but usually the taxpayers do not consolidate in opposition to the tax-eaters. The latter have their bread and butter and their graft at stake; they know how to divide the taxpayers on bogus issues and keep them apart. It is an old game. The Sun calls for a finance commission. That will help, but it won't take the place of an enlightened and aggressive public sentiment.

## WILSON GUIDES SCRIBES

Takes Newspapermen Through Princeton

VISITS OFFICE HE USED WHEN COLLEGE PRESIDENT

President-Elect to Hold Conferences With Clark, Underwood, Smith and Other Prominent Democrats

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson became "Pres. Wilson of Princeton University" again yesterday, but only for a few minutes.

After a five-mile walk through Princeton, during which the governor acted as guide for half a dozen correspondents, he turned into Seventy-nine hall, a dormitory donated by the class of 1872, of which he is a member.

By virtue of the fact that the governor of New Jersey is still ex-officio president of the board of trustees of Princeton university, I suppose it is still proper for me to go in here," said Mr. Wilson, with a laugh as he led his retinue up a flight of stairs.

At the entrance to the suite of rooms in the dormitory, which were especially fitted for the president of the university, he paused. "I still have the key," he remarked, as he drew forth a bunch of keys from his pocket, opened the big oak door, and turned on an electric light here and there.

The big room from which Woodrow Wilson once ruled Princeton University was dark and vacant. The rugs were gone, the handsome carvings on the walls, the big fireplace and the decorations, however, were intact.

Since Dr. Wilson resigned from

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Men's House Coats—Of handsome reversible cloth, silk cord edges, close with silk frogs, value up to \$7.00, for..... \$5.00

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Princeton to become governor, all the offices of the university have been grouped in Nassau hall, in which his toric structure an office has been provided for Pres. Hibben, Dr. Wilson's successor. It was the first time the ex-president of the university had seen his old office in two years.

The governor walked briskly through the rural vicinity of Princeton swinging a black cane. He pointed out places of interest with the air of an old-time resident.

As he came to Prospect avenue, the street on which the several big club-houses of the students are located, a smile spread over his face. "This was my battle ground," he mused.

It was over the idea of abolishing these clubs and substituting what he termed a more democratic social system that Mr. Wilson had his first clash with the trustees of Princeton.

The president-elect slept 13 hours and said he rested well.

The coming week he will be, for the most part, at the state house in Trenton, where he has conferences scheduled with Speaker Clark, Representative Underwood, Senator Hoke Smith and a number of other prominent democrats, leaders in congress. The governor heard with regret the illness of Mr. Underwood, he said, and expressed the hope that the illness would be but temporary.

## NORTH CHELMSFORD

The masses in St. John's church yesterday were celebrated by Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, and he delivered an instructive discourse on "The Duties of Parents and the Correct Upbringing of Children." The sermon was one of warning and advice.

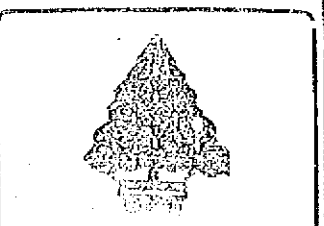
Rev. Fr. Schofield was present at the Sunday school class yesterday afternoon, and the children presented him a beautiful Christmas remembrance. The presentation speech was made by Ger-

trade Welch and Yvonne Girard gave the gift to Fr. Schofield. Rev. Fr. Mitchell received a similar token of the love of the children for him, and Vincent Garvey made the speech of presentation.

The following excellent program of music for the Christmas season was rendered at the Congregational church in North Chelmsford Sunday: "There Were Shepherds Abiding," by Spence, and "Hail, Smiling Morn," by Calkins, sung by the church quartet, in which the solo parts were taken by Mrs. Herbert Underly and William Ward; a trio, "Follow the Star," by Wilson, sung by Miss Edith Luce, Arthur H. Slater and William Ward, and a solo, "The Song the Angels Sang," by Stolz, sung by Mrs. Herbert Underly. Mrs. Nellie Slater was the organist and played a selection from "Aida," by Verdi, as a voluntary, and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" as a postlude.

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# HICKEY PLEASED WITH VERDICT

But Judge and Public Are Indignant That First Degree Finding Was Not Returned

BUFFALO, Dec. 23.—John Frank Hickey was late Saturday afternoon found guilty of murder in the second degree in the slaying of 7-year-old Joseph Joseph of Lackawanna, Oct. 12, 1911.

It took a jury that had read Hickey's confession of that crime, of the murder of 12-year-old Michael Kruck in Central park, New York, and of the killing in a drug store in Lowell, Mass., of Edward Morey, 25 hours to reach a verdict that will not send the slayer to the death chair.

In court and among the people of the city and county the verdict was received with astonishment and anger.

"I am too shocked and surprised to say anything at this time. I fear I might not do the subject justice, but I shall speak my mind plainly in court on Monday when I pronounce sentence on the prisoner," said Judge Charles S. Brown, who presided at the trial, when asked for an expression of opinion last night.

To the jury when it reported, Judge Brown said:

"It is extremely to be regretted that justice could not be done to this defendant. The public and the court do not feel satisfied with the result. For those of you who have earnestly endeavored to secure a different result the court extends its most appreciative and sincere thanks."

Talk of Another Trial

Public indignation at the outcome of the trial is so intense that among the county authorities there is talk of the possibility of having Hickey tried in New York for the murder of the Kruck boy.

Thirteen ballots were taken to decide Hickey's fate. Twelve stood, according to the jurors, nine for conviction, three for not guilty on the insanity plea.

The 13th ballot was taken at 2:30 on Saturday afternoon, after the jury had reported to the court in the morning that it could not agree. Justice Brown at that time declined to discharge the jurors and directed them to return to the jury room in a further effort to arrive at a verdict.

Before the 13th ballot, when the jury asked for further instructions, Judge Brown practically ordered a verdict of first degree murder. He said:

"As there are no facts hostile to each and that cannot be reconciled, I do not feel justified in discharging you. Ordinarily when a jury has been out for 20 hours it is entitled to a discharge. Don't you think that if you can strip yourselves of any undue excitement and consider this case without feeling you can render a verdict?"

"Find Verdict That Will Satisfy"

"It is time that this terrible situation was remedied. It would be too distressing a thing to have this case now go to the people of Erie county without a verdict of one kind or another. I am going to send you back with the ad-

## DR. CARL L. ALSBERG

New Government Pure Food Expert

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, who succeeded Dr. Wiley as the government's pure food expert, says he stands squarely for the enforcement of the law, but until he becomes more familiar with the work he



is expected to do he refuses to discuss particular phases. Dr. Alsberg was born in New York in 1877 and was graduated from Columbia university in 1896. His father was a manufacturing chemist and chemical engineer. Dr. Alsberg has studied abroad and has recently been identified with Harvard college.

## A PICTURESQUE SIGHT

Stubborn Two - Alarm Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Firemen were kept on the jump early yesterday morning with a stubborn two-alarm blaze at Washington street and Dix place and a lively though smaller fire at 299 Purchase street. When these were all out of the way the apparatus was called out again to trouble at Poplar and Spring streets, West End.

Two buildings at Washington street and Dix place is a three-story old brick structure, having eight-inch walls, and is a Boston landmark. It is numbered 739 to 745 Washington street and extends back to 6 Dix place. The fire started in the basement under Kennedy & Co's saloon and raced up through an air and light shaft to the roof. Patrolman Sheehan was trying the doors shortly after 7 o'clock, when he saw the smoke coming from the front basement windows.

Before he could send in an alarm, the automatic box in the basement was sounded and five minutes later box 45 in Dewey square was sounded for the fire in Purchase street. Two minutes after this box 67 was sounded, making a complicated call.

By this time the flames seemed to fill the entire rear of the building and great clouds of smoke came from every window and door. There was a blind attic under the Mansard roof where the fire found ample fuel in the timber-like structure. Soon the flames burned through the roof and reached high in the air, making a striking spectacle.

The dense smoke hung like a pall over the streets. It seemed as if the fire filled the entire inside of the building and there seemed to be danger of its spreading to the adjoining buildings in Dix place and along Washington street. A second alarm was sent in and within five minutes the apparatus filled Washington, Tremont and Cross streets of the vicinity, diverting all surface street car and other traffic around the scene of the fire for nearly two hours.

## WANT \$2.50 PER DAY

Boston City Employees Insist on Wage Increase

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—"Mayor O'Brien was defeated for re-election by the city employees of Boston, and history can be repeated any time you men so wish," was the declaration at the banquet of Boston Sanitary and Street Cleaning Teamsters and Helpers' union 142 last night by President Michael F. O'Brien of the National Federation of State, City and Town Employees' unions after he had told of the promises as yet unfulfilled to give Boston's city laborers a 25-cent increase so that their wages will be \$2.50 a day.

That \$15 a week is the smallest amount on which any American family can be expected to live these days, was Mayor Fitzgerald's own statement some months ago, Pres. O'Brien said, and he read a letter containing that statement to the gathering.

He declared that Mayor Fitzgerald should grant the raise to the city laborers or else "declare once and for all that he did not consider them Americans or worthy of getting a decent living wage."

Pres. O'Brien called attention to the fact that there were some 7000 city employees, all voters, with fathers or sons in the city or other relatives or friends to expect any effort to deprive them of what belongs to them and has been long promised.

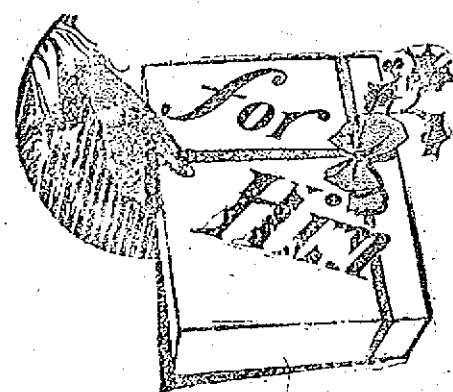
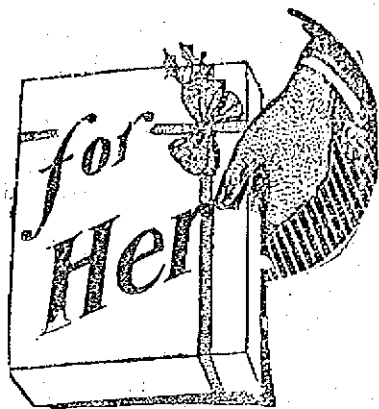
Lynn, Brockton, Nahant, Revere, Brookline, Newton and other cities and towns in Metropolitan Boston had already given or made provision for such a wage, he said, and Boston, which should be the leader in such matters, was apparently the last to better conditions.

Don't miss it, Associate hall, Xmas.

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## TWO MEN INSTANTLY KILLED

Michael Curran and Thomas Tsapouris, Lowell Men, Struck by Trains Yesterday

Michael Curran, foreman for E. A. Wilson & Co., for many years, was struck and instantly killed on the tracks of the Boston & Maine railroad in the vicinity of the roundhouse about 10:30 o'clock Saturday night.

Curran went to the barn of his employers in Howard street Saturday night to attend a sick horse. Shortly after 10 o'clock his body was found on the tracks. Undertaker O'Connell was notified and the body was removed to his rooms after which it was taken to the home of the deceased, 63 Walker street.

The deceased was 45 years of age and leaves a wife, Mary; a mother in Ireland; four brothers, Peter of Ireland and Patrick, Thomas and Philip of this city, and three sisters, Ellen of this city and Mrs. Bridget Reynolds and Margaret of New York city.

He was a member of Division 1, A. O. H., of Industry council, No. 1522, Royal Arcanum, and of Court General Division, No. 217, Foresters of America.

Killed While Walking on Tracks

Thomas Tsapouris, aged 32 years and residing in upper Market street, was killed while walking on the tracks over the railroad bridge in Wiggintonville about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The man was unaccompanied and it is not known how he happened to be on the bridge. Undertaker O'Connell was notified and the body was removed to his waterrooms in Gorham street.

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## DRINK IN A QUIET SPOT

Citizens Object to "Caning" Can Order

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The honest but thirsty workman should be permitted to take his glass of beer to a quiet spot to drink it and no law should prohibit the custom was the decision of the central citizens' league of the District of Columbia as presented to the executive board today in protest against its anti-growler order. The meeting of the league last night was peppery and they were numerous arguments for and against the resolutions but they eventually were adopted without opposition. The executive commissioners recently instituted issued an order prohibiting the carrying of beer and other liquors in anything but the original packages. Immediately there was a loud outcry by those who had been in the habit of buying the frothy beverage by the bucket. The commissioners took the protest under advisement.

## DISTRICT CHIEF RITCHIE

Of Boston Fire Dept. Dropped Dead

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—District Chief Robert Ritchie of the Boston fire department dropped dead at 10:30 last night in his quarters on Fireboat Engine 47, located in East Boston, adjacent to the South ferry.

About two weeks ago he was attacked by erysipelas resulting from face burns received while on fire duty. He recovered and was back at his post a week ago. He was at his home, 42 East Chelsea street, East Boston, for supper at 7 o'clock last night, apparently in excellent health.

About 10:30 o'clock, Chief Ritchie was suddenly stricken with hemorrhage of the brain and died before he could be given medical assistance.

Kittredge at Assn. afternoon and eve.



## NOTICE

Office of the Board of Health  
Lowell, Mass., Dec. 15th, 1912.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held Dec. 17th, 1912, it was voted on account of the prevalence of Scarlet Fever in the city at the present time that the following recommendations be given to the public:

1. Pasteurize all the milk you use, or else use condensed milk or no milk at all during this epidemic.
2. To pasteurize milk bring water to the boiling point in the outer part of a double boiler. As much water should be used as can be contained in the outer part when the inner part of the boiler is in place. When the water boils, the outer part of the double boiler is taken off the fire and placed upon a piece of board. Then into the inner part is placed the milk and the inner part is inserted into the outer part of the double boiler and is covered. After the milk has been in the boiler 20 minutes, the inner part is placed in cold water. It should then be put on ice and covered.
3. Pasteurized milk may become re-infected if exposed to contagion.
4. Laundries that take clothes from a quarantined family do so at the risk of paying the penalty of the law.
5. White milk is a factor as a carrier of disease, contact direct or indirect is another and very prolific source of spreading the disease.
6. People quarantined should adhere strictly to the orders issued by the Board of Health.

The Board of Health is of the opinion that if these recommendations are followed out in every household, Scarlet Fever will soon disappear from the community.

PIERRE BRUNELLE, M. D.  
JOHN A. OSGOOD,  
THOMAS F. CARROLL, M. D.  
Board of Health.

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## FAST SOCCER GAMES

Played in the L. L. and D.  
League Saturday

## BUNTINGS AND LIGHT BLUES

Results of English Soccer Games—  
Scores of Saturday's Contests and  
League Standing

The Soccer football team of the United States during club and the Manchester Light Blues, closed on Saturday afternoon and neither was able to score in one of the hardest fought games that has been seen in the league thus far. The teams were very evenly matched and even the loss of a star player by injury failed to discourage the Bunting boys.

The contest shows that the local team has improved wonderfully of late and that it is a pity that such ability at the opening of the season when it was handicapped by reason of the refusal of the local players to represent their club. It would be well up with the league's best. The Light Blues made the strongest in the district league. It was a great credit to Manager Flynn, who led his team through a trying season and in the face of all adversity, he succeeded remarkably, and it is to him that gratitude is due from the local soccer fans for it was through his persistence that they have been able to witness frequent exhibitions here. The lineup of Saturday's game was as follows:

**BUNTINGS**  
Bunting, G.  
Johnson, R.  
Burgess, R.  
Swift, J.  
Hale, C.  
Lamb, E.  
Johnson, R.  
Cousins, R.  
Taylor, C.  
Micheal, R.  
Clark, J.

**LIGHT BLUES**  
H. Swindell  
H. H. H. H.  
H. H. H. H.  
H. H. H. H.  
H. H. H. H.  
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Time—Two forty-five minutes.

Other results in the Lawrence, Lowell and District League were:

Manchester 1, Olympians 2.

Lawrence 2, Manchester United 2.

Andover 2, South Lawrence 1.

Bunting 3, Light Blues 0.

The games were played on the grounds of the first named clubs.

The standing in the league now is:

Team	P	W	L	D	Pts
Andover	15	10	3	1	20
United	14	9	3	2	20
Clare	14	9	3	2	20
Light Blues	13	8	3	1	18
Olympians	11	7	4	3	17
Lawrence	14	8	3	3	17
Manchester	14	7	5	2	16
South Lawrence	12	6	5	1	13
Bunting	15	1	10	4	5

It was announced at the Soccer game at Bunting field Saturday by Manager Flynn of the local club that the results of the English soccer games would appear in Monday's Sun. In accordance with that announcement, we print them below. From the requests that come in for information in regard to these contests abroad, it is quite evident that there are many followers of the English game in Lowell.

**LOWELL, Eng., Dec. 22.**—Barnesley and West Bromwich Albion were high scoring teams in the football games played Saturday afternoon. The scores:

**First Division**

Aston Villa 3, New Castle United 1.

Blackburn Rovers 2, West Brom.

Derby County 2, Manchester City 0.

Liverpool 2, Sheffield United 2.

Manchester United 0, Oldham Athletic 0.

Middlesbrough 2, Walsley Arsenal 0.

Nottingham 0, Chelsea 0.

St. Michael's 1, Everton 2.

Sunderland 2, Bolton Wanderers 1.

Tottenham Hotspur 2, Bradford City 1.

**Second Division**

Barnesley 4, Lincoln City 0.

Blackpool 0, Preston North End 1.

Bradford City 1, Gillingham 0.

Derby 0, Bristol City 1.

Exeter 0, Notts Forest 0.

Grimsby Town 2, Birmingham 2.

Leicester Fosse 1, Hull City 2.

Leeds City 0, Huddersfield Town 2.

Sheffield County 0, Barnesley 1.

Wolverhampton Wanderers 3, Gloucester 1.

The real dance hall, Associate, Ninas.

**MACHINE TEAM**

Of the U. S. Cartridge Co. Leads Standing in the Hefz-L. S. Cartridge Bowling League

The contest for supremacy in the Hefz-L. S. Cartridge bowling league is waxing warm. The U. S. C. Machine team leads at the present time, but that aggression is being posted by the Live Wires and Ajax.

The standing of the teams, together with the individual averages, follow:

**TEAM STANDING**

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
U. S. C. Machine	11	1	91.6
Live Wires	10	2	82.3
Ajax	9	3	76.9
Clare	9	3	76.9
Hefz-L. S. Machine	4	8	41.6
Testers	4	8	38.3
Roma	4	8	25.3
Manchets	2	10	16.6

**Pinfall**

Team	U. S. C. Machine	Live Wires	Ajax	Clare	Hefz-L. S. Machine	Testers	Roma	Manchets
U. S. C. Machine	2808							
Live Wires	3307	2808						
Ajax	3879	3307	2808					
Clare	3721	3307	3879	2808				
Hefz-L. S. Machine	3619	3307	3879	3721	2808			
Testers	3661	3307	3879	3721	3619	2808		
Roma	3661	3307	3879	3721	3619	3661	2808	
Manchets	3661	3307	3879	3721	3619	3661	3661	2808

**INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES**

Player	Team	Total	Ave
Coushlin, Live Wires	Live Wires	845	93
McCarthy, Hefz-L. S. Machine	Hefz-L. S. Machine	833	93
Arnold, Ajax	Ajax	559	91
T. Atkinson, Live Wires	Live Wires	520	91
Duggan, Ajax	Ajax	512	89
Calvert, Ajax	Ajax	505	88
P. McGuire, Hefz-L. S. Machine	Hefz-L. S. Machine	503	88
Gibson, Ajax	Ajax	502	88
G. Atkinson, Live Wires	Live Wires	487	87
Grant, U. S. C. Machine	U. S. C. Machine	485	87
Payson, Clare	Clare	487	87
Hessman, U. S. C. Machine	U. S. C. Machine	483	87
Rockwell, U. S. C. Machine	U. S. C. Machine	476	86
Schenck, Clare	Clare	475	86
Doye, Ajax	Ajax	473	85
Doble, Clare	Clare	473	85
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Brown, Testers	Testers	512	85

**Team records:**

Highest three string total, Ajax, 1362.

Highest single string total, Live Wires, 477.

Individual records:

Highest three string total, Calvert, Ajax, 296.

Highest single string total, Craig, U. S. C. M., 122.

Schedule for week of Dec. 22:

Monday evening, Hefz-L. S. Machine vs. Testers.

Tuesday evening, Hefz-L. S. Machine vs. Live Wires.

Tuesday evening, Manches vs. Live Wires.

Thursday evening, Ajax vs. Roma.

Friday evening, Clare vs. U. S. C. Machine.

**"Honey Boys" Install Officers**

The regular meeting and installation of officers of the Honey Boy Minstrels was held yesterday afternoon in the Colonial theatre. President, James P. Shugrue; vice president, Chas. Sadler; treasurer and business manager, Edward J. Handley; secretary, Charles A. Carey.

The entire company attended the rehearsal at the close of the business meeting.

**SANTA'S TREE BURNED**

Plans of Boston Family Spoiled by Fire

**BOSTON, Dec. 23.**—Mac and Lillian Corbett, the youngest daughters of Mrs. Catherine Corbett of 259 Hancock street, Dorchester, went to bed last night dreaming of what Santa Claus was going to bring to their little home for them to place on a monster Christmas tree they had planned to have with a number of their school friends. During the early hours of the evening they had danced about the tree and saw some of the toys and tinsel placed on the branches.

A few minutes after 9 o'clock there was no tree. It went up in smoke and firemen, summoned by an alarm from box 197, cleaned up what remained of the debris, even to the toys consumed by the fire.

Catherine, the oldest daughter, after her sisters had retired, kept on with the work of decorating the tree and had almost completed her task when she told her mother she would light one of the candles to see how it looked. She did so.

The window was open and a gust of wind fanned the face curtains into the candle flame, which set it afire. The blaze quickly spread and the girl's mother ran downstairs and notified a young man on the floor below, who sounded the alarm.

"I'm afraid we can't have any Christmas tree after all," said Catherine to her mother as the two gazed sorrowfully at the ruins of what was, a few minutes before, a glittering spectacle of tinsel and color.

The firemen of Engine 17, Meeting House Hill, whose duty it was to clear away the debris of the big pine, extended their sympathy and suggested that Santa might send another one and bring back joy in the hearts of the children.

**Prince Ludwig Vetoes Movement**

**MUNICH, Bavaria, Dec. 23.**—Prince Ludwig, the prince regent of Bavaria, sent an autograph letter to the Bavarian premier today vetoing the movement to place him on the throne as king. He declares that he desires loyally to administer the inheritance bequeathed to him by his father, and therefore in view of the popular movement in regard to the regency he expressed categorically his desire that nothing should be done for the present in the matter.

**SEVEN GIRLS LOCKED UP**

As Result of Outbreak of Disorder

**CLINTON, Dec. 23.**—In consequence of an outbreak of disorder and an attempt at jail delivery last night at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, seven girls, inmates of the school, were brought to this city about midnight and locked up in the police station.

The outbreak occurred not at the main building of the school, but at the Ladies' Annex, a mile or more distant, where the worst girls and those requiring special treatment are housed. It was generally from 20 to 25 inmates.

About 6 o'clock last evening some of the girls, allowed out on the grounds for exercise, were seen to be making plans for a jail delivery. Several hours later these young men and others came to the building and made a demonstration, shouting and threatening to break into the house, but it appears, actually, doing very little.

The house officers and attendants attempted to keep the girls quiet and under control, and they succeeded in driving the young men away before any jail delivery was effected. Many of the girls, however, and seven in particular, were out of their rooms and

rushing about the corridors, trying to get past the attendants and make their escape.

It was proposed to lock each of the seven most riotous girls in a room by herself, but they insisted that they should be locked up by twos, and when this was refused, set upon their attendants. A sharp fight followed, and finally all seven girls got into one room and shut themselves in, barricading the door.

The house officer, finding himself unable to cope with them, notified the superintendent of the school at the main building, and assistance was asked from the police. Deputy Sheriff C. C. Sanderson and Patrolman Ernest C. Call of Clinton and Chief of Police George A. Sampson of Lancaster went to the school.

They broke in the door of the room in which the girls were, and, meeting with no further resistance, carried the girls in automobiles to this town, where they were locked up.

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# HANGED FROM POLE GIRL DIED OF INJURIES

## Negro Convicted of Murder Was Executed

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 23.—Norm Color, a negro, was hanged from a telegraph pole a short distance from the jail last night. He had been convicted of killing James Norman, a plantation manager, about three weeks ago. The fact that his attorney had taken steps to appeal is presented to have inspired the lynching.

# CHILD STRUCK BY DOCTOR ROLLER'S AUTO

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—An automobile owned and driven by Dr. Ben Roller, the wrestler, struck and fatally injured Mary Kunkel, eight years old, here last night. Dr. Roller was driving Mrs. Meriwether to the home of the family of poor children, where she intended to leave a box of toys as a Christmas remembrance. Near their destination the little girl tried to run across the street in front of the machine but was hurled to one side. The child was taken to a hospital but she died in a short time.

# FOR NATURALIZATION

Session For Second Papers Will Be Held in This City on Thursday, December 26th

William C. O'Donnell, clerk of the superior court, will be at his office at the court house on Gorham street, this city, for the purpose of taking petitions for naturalization (second papers) on Thursday, Dec. 26th, at nine o'clock and first papers on Friday, December 27th, at nine o'clock.

# Academy of Music

Due to the many requests received from patrons it has been decided to run the motion pictures of Lowell for this entire week, including Christmas day.

The pictures of Mayor O'Donnell as he is departing at noon from city hall, are exceedingly distinct, while the employees leaving the Tremont & Suffolk mills as well as the Lawrence hosiery are easily to be distinguished. The vaudeville for the first three days features the Viscetti Brothers, accordion players; Von Hoff, the great German mimic; and Malone and Malone, comedy acrobatic dancers. The feature photo-play in two reels, "Gay Mannerings," is from the books of that name and deals with smugglers, love, battlescenes, etc., and makes a thrilling story. For Tuesday, grab again, a big, fat turkey to some one.

# Christmas Concert

The pupils of the Sunday school of the Sacred Centre church gave a delightful Christmas concert at the morning service of the church yesterday.

There was a large congregation and the program was most appropriate. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. E. C. Bartlett, who is in Philadelphia on a two weeks' stay, Rev. Kyle occupied the pulpit.

The program was as follows: Processional anthem by choir; responsive reading, Lord's prayer; recitation, "Rejoice," by George Southworth; recitation, Helen Rankin; recitation, "Christmas," Nettie Sullivan; recitation, Alvin Coburn; recitation, "What Do the Bells Say," Gladys Chaff; recitation, "Why Do Bells at Christmas Ring?" and song, "Keeping Jesus' Birthday," by the kindergarten; recitation, "Christmas Everywhere," Mildred Thissell; recitation, "The Child's Message," Avis Chaff; recitation, Rena Nichols and Alice Hession; recitation, "What Christmas Means," Amy Fox and Gertrude Russell; recitation, "The King Is Born," Roberta Smith; anthem by choir; recitation, Doris and Henry Peachey; song, "Jesus in His Name," by the primary and junior departments; recitations, Irene Hill and Len Chaff; song, Wesley Boynton; recitation, "At Christmas Time," Herbert Smith and Bert Bryant; anthem, "O Star of Glory," by the choir; recitation, Anna Bartlett; recitation, Caroline Richardson; anthem, "The Angels' Story," by the choir; prayer, and congregational hymn.

Mr. Arthur W. Colburn, superintendent of Sunday school, had charge of the day's program.

# Best music, Asso. hall, Christmas day.

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# FUNERAL NOTICES

CORNUM—Died Dec. 21, in Cambridge, Mass., H. Sherburne Cornum, aged 37 years, at his home, 3 Amory street. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Abbie A. Cornum and two sisters, Mrs. Mary A. Adams and Miss Nellie A. Cornum. Funeral services will be held at the Talbot Memorial chapel in the Lowell cemetery, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited with further notice. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

LEWIS—The funeral of Bridget Hegan will take place tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 42 Andrews street. A high mass of requiem will be sung at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Funeral in charge of C. H. Molloy.

CURRAN—The funeral of Michael Curran will take place Tuesday morning at 8:15 from his late home, 23 Walker street. A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated at 9 o'clock in St. Patrick's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker John J. O'Connell in charge.

BELLOTT—The funeral of the late Miss Nora Elliott will take place on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from her late home, 733 Middlesex street. The funeral mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9:45 o'clock. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery, Undertakers M. J. McDonough Sons in charge.

GARNETT—Died Dec. 23, at the Lowell general hospital, Mrs. Mary A. Gardner, aged 68 years. She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Isaac Josselyn of Dover, Mass., Mrs. S. J. Laverien of this city and Mrs. William Murphy of Kennebunk, Me. Funeral services will be held at the home of her sister, Mrs. S. J. Laverien, 115 Liberty street, Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. The burial will be made at Lawrence, Mass. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

SCANTON—In this city, Dec. 22, at St. John's hospital, Miss Maria Scanton. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning at 7:30 o'clock from the home of Mr. Charles Sheehan, 37 Oak street. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 8:15 o'clock at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Friends are invited to attend. The burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers Higgins Bros. in charge.

PINNEGAN—In this city, Dec. 22, at St. John's hospital, Mrs. Mary Finnegan, of 141 Fayette street, aged 40 years. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock from her home, 141 Fayette street. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 9:45 o'clock at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Friends are invited to attend. The burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers Higgins Bros. in charge.

Son of Thomas F. Ryan Seriously Ill  
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Allan Ryan, son of Thomas F. Ryan, was still in an extremely critical condition this morning and his physicians expressed only slight hope of his recovery. He recently underwent a serious abdominal operation.

# IN LAST RESTING PLACE

Arthur L. Gray Buried Yesterday Afternoon

Very large indeed was the attendance of friends and relatives at the funeral of the late Arthur L. Gray, which took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 71 Dover street. There were many out-of-town friends present as well as delegations from the various organizations of which deceased was a member.

The service, which was very simple, was conducted at 2 o'clock by Rev.

# A Merry Christmas to You

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# Funeral Reveals Tragedy

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 23.—A private funeral this afternoon at the Bell-st. mansion of Dr. Edward M. Harris, the nation's favorite, revealed a tragedy heretofore kept from the public.

The services were for Edward M. Harris, Jr., the younger son of the doctor. Death had been caused by asphyxiation on Friday, at a time when the youth, who was only 20, was suffering from a severe spell of mental depression. He had been in poor health for a year.

The medical examiner declared it a case of suicide.

# Almer's orchestra, which furnished the music for the occasion.

The social started with an overture by the orchestra and then Dominick Molloy, Lowell's favorite tenor, rendered "That's How I Need You," after which there was general dancing.

The officers of the evening were: Patrick F. Scully, general manager; Dominick Molloy, assistant general manager; Peter J. Clapay, floor director; John J. Hurley, assistant floor director; and Wm. F. Smith, treasurer.

# NO FIRE AT QUINCY HOUSE

Smoke Pouring Through the Building Alarmed Occupants and Fire Department Was Summoned

The inmates of the Quincy house in Lee street were greatly alarmed this morning when smoke started to pour through the building and, believing that the building was on fire, telephoned to the Central fire station. The firemen responded but when the firemen arrived at the house it was found that the smoke was caused by the clogging of one of the chimneys which caused the smoke to pour through the house.

# Grass Fires

Grass fires broke out on land in Maple street and also at the corner of High and Sherman streets yesterday afternoon but both were extinguished before any damage was done.

# Practical Christmas Suggestions

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Nightgowns of fine nainsook, plain or elaborately trimmed, many new and attractive styles, 75c to \$3.97

# White Petticoats with deep flounces of handsome Hamburg, wide heading run with ribbon; and dainty lace trimmed styles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

# Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed; a variety of styles and excellent values, 50c to \$1.50

# Combinations with drawers or skirt trimmed to match cover, with fine Val. lace and Hamburg, 50c to \$2.97

# PETTICOATS

Lustrous Chiffon Taffeta and Messaline Silk Petticoats, dazzling array of beautiful colors; every one new straight model, sectional flare or accordion plaited flounce, \$2.97, \$3.97, \$5

Petticoats of messaline cloth, light and durable, looks like silk, all colors for day or evening wear, \$1.98 value.....\$1.00

# WAISTS

Handsome Chiffon and Silk Waists, all colors; dainty Lingerie Blouses, all new and distinctive styles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

Mannish Shirts in imported silks; plain and nobby stripes; Madras, Scotch, Flannel and Soisette, \$1, 1.97, 2.97

Dainty Tea Aprons, all shapes, prettily trimmed; Utility Aprons, Maids', Waitresses and Bungalow Aprons, many styles and moderate prices, 25c to \$1.97

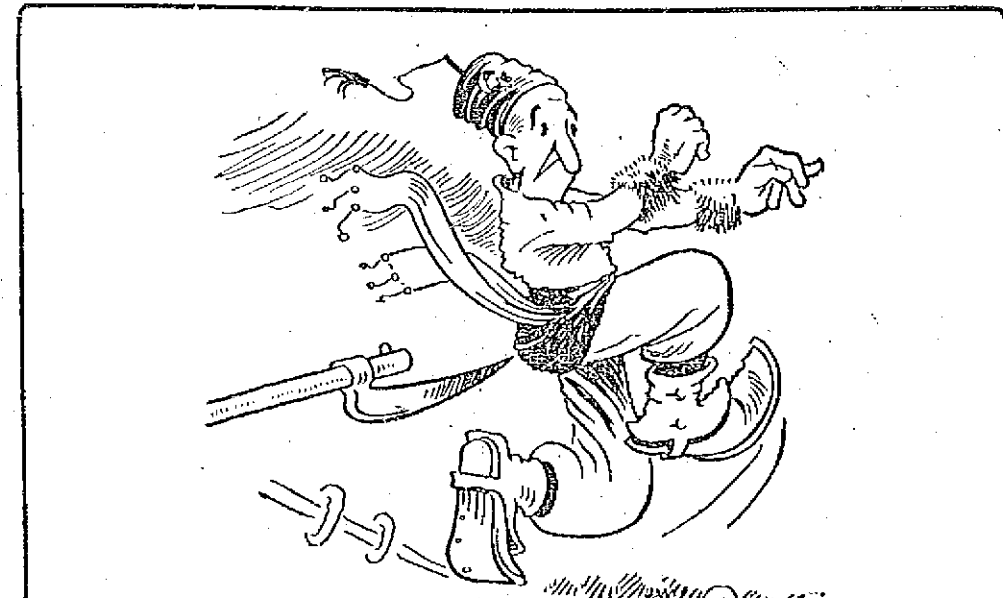
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For Personal Injuries and Damage to Property—Municipal Council Will Hold Hearings This Evening

The municipal council will meet this evening to give hearings on claims, new and old. There are about 50 claims in all; claims for personal injury and claims for property damaged in various ways. The hearing will open at 7:30 o'clock and will probably last until nearly midnight. The following claims will be heard:

George O. Clark, personal injuries, caused by obstruction on sidewalk.

Nellie Conant, personal injuries, caused by icy sidewalk.

Margie Cadmore, damage to property, caused by bursting water main.

Margaret Dean, personal injuries, caused by defective sidewalk.

Annie Doyle, personal injuries, caused by snow and ice.

Walter S. Ellenwood, injury to horse, due to catch basin, corner of Walker street and Broadway.

Agnes Farham, personal injuries, defect in sidewalk.

Pierre L. Gregoire, damage to stock and traps, due to overflow of sewer into basin.

Estel Greenberg, damage to stock and traps, bursting of water pipe.

Fred J. and William E. Henderson, damage to property by rain, ice and snow, flowing into cellar.

Frederick G. Humphries, personal injuries, sprained ankle in hole in street.

Michael J. Kelly, personal injuries, injured by hot hand falling on hand.

Ismael Labelle, personal injuries, hurt leg in street.

Lowell Auto Co., damage to Buick car in Central street.

Michael A. McKoon, personal injuries while working for the health department.

Annie B. McCormick, personal injuries, fractured leg, due to defect in crossing at Coburn street and Lakeview avenue.

Minnie P. Meister, personal injuries, received by falling in of sidewalk.

Elizabeth F. O'Brien, personal injuries, received by defect in sidewalk.

Thomas W. O'Brien, personal injuries, defect in sidewalk.

Maurice O'Connor, personal injuries, while working for the water department.

Robert J. Shepard, sprained ankle, 29 Andrews street.

Joseph Silva, loss of horse and damage to team when struck by fire truck.

Thomas Steel, sprained leg and hand in Billerica street.

John J. Sullivan, damage to team and goods when struck by fire wagon.

Frederick F. Tighe, personal injuries, due to stone projection in walk.

Whittier C. Hall for care of plants belonging to city.

Mrs. Charles F. Adams, personal injuries, due to defective sidewalk.

Philip Bradley, personal injuries, occasioned by defective rubber boots.

Thomas Bean, personal injuries, occasioned by fall of pine on foot.

Philip Coleman, damage to business on account of window being boarded up and sidewalk torn up.

Winifred Harrington, damage to dress.

Margaret Hitz, broken arm received from fall in hole in playground in North Main street.

Abraham Smith, damage to goods caused by break in water pipe.

John A. Tarsa, death of Stanislaw Turza, who was drowned in canal.



THE LATE ARTHUR L. GRAY





